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DETERIORATION IN THE RELATIONS BETWEEN GERMANY AND GREECE: YUGOSLAVIA MOBILISATION CONTINUING: BIG SABOTAGE CAMPAIGN IN BULGARIA

RELATIONS BETWEEN GERMANY AND GREECE ARE REPORTED TO HAVE DETERIORATED AND NAZIS IN BULGARIA ARE DECLARING THAT AN ATTACK ON GREECE WILL TAKE PLACE IN A FEW DAYS, THOUGH THE OPINION GENERALLY HELD IN POLITICAL CIRCLES IS THAT THE NAZIS WILL NOT MOVE UNLESS THEY ARE CERTAIN OF TURKISH NON-INTERVENTION.

A radio message from Cairo described the quiet in the Balkans as the calm before the storm.

The Yugoslav Press say that it is too early yet to give any information about any agreement between GERMANY and YUGOSLAVIA, but one Belgrade newspaper declares that all attempts to involve Yugoslavia in the diplomatic plans of others have failed owing to the determination of the country to maintain its independence.—(Special)

Advance Greek Units Enter Tepelini

LAST TOWN ON ROAD TO VALONA

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—Greek advance units entered Tepelini, the last town held by the Italians, on the road to Valona, early this morning after fierce fighting, according to reports reaching Reuter's special correspondent on the Albanian frontier. A large number of prisoners and quantities of war material are said to have been taken and the Greeks are following up their success.

LEFT ROOFLESS

A Royal Air Force bomber formation attacked military objectives in the Tepelini area, states a London message.

Fires were started and military buildings were left roofless.—(Special)

PAPAGOS MESSAGE

LONDON, Mar. 20 (BWS).—Gen. Papagos, Greek Commander-in-Chief, informing the army at the front that he had been awarded the C.B.E., says:

"This signal honour is reflected particularly on our fighting army, the heroic deeds of which have made Greece, as it were, a splendid meteor shining forth in this universal war."

"This honour belongs entirely to you, the valiant sons of Greece who replied to the voices of your country and who have shown the world a Greece motivated by vital spirits, a Greece more beautiful than ever in her struggle."

"I am proud of the honour which has been conferred on me and which, through my person, is conferred on each and every Greek officer and soldier."

"It is given to you all. I assure you I glory in commanding such heroes."

Meanwhile mobilisation in Yugoslavia is continuing, states a London message.

A former Prime Minister has been expelled from the country.

The Yugoslav Minister of Transport, in a broadcast, said, "We must not be guided by propaganda. Propaganda is dangerous. We want to preserve our neutrality. We should not give up what belongs to us."

In Bulgaria the German occupation of the country is not proceeding as smoothly as the Germans would have the world believe.

A great sabotage campaign is being carried out by a secret anti-Nazi organisation. Two trains have been derailed and bridges blown up.—(Special)

MUST NOT LISTEN

Bulgaria has been forbidden to listen to British broadcasts, states a Sofia dispatch to the official German News Agency, citing an edict issued by the Minister of the Interior, says Reuter.

Bulgarians must be protected from the propaganda from certain foreign radio stations, especially British, it is stated.

The measure was taken, it is further explained, following "the discovery of a British espionage and sabotage organisation in Bulgaria."

SARAJEVO MESSAGE

M. SARAJEGLU, the Turkish Foreign Minister, has sent MR. EDEN, the British Foreign Minister, a cordial message about their recent meeting in Cyprus.

He referred to the hospitable welcome that both statesmen received and added, "I wish to repeat to your Excellency the very sincere assurances of our friendship. Our meeting enabled us to affirm once again the perfect identity of views existing between us."—(Special)

HOME GUARD FOR AUSTRALIA

The Returned Soldiers' League, a volunteer defence corps, similar to the Home Guard in Britain, is being revived in Australia, states a London message.—(Special)

Lightning Thrust Into Abyssinia

STEADY HEADWAY TOWARDS KEREN

British forces are making steady headway towards Keren, in spite of enemy counter-attacks, states a London message.

In British Somaliland a further 200 prisoners, including 13 officers, and six guns have been captured. Jijiga was occupied without difficulty.

In addition to this lightning thrust into Abyssinia from Italian Somaliland, British and patriot forces are closing in from every quarter.

In the Neghelli area operations are proceeding according to plan. Cont'd Page 7, Col. 3

ROOSEVELT'S APPROPRIATION VOTE PASSED

The House of Representatives has passed President Roosevelt's appropriation vote providing \$7,000 million for the democracies by 377 votes to 55, states a Sydney message.

This is the largest appropriation ever made in the history of America, it was added.

A large amount of this will be spent immediately.

8,000 PLANES

A later message added that 3,000 planes will be handed over to British agents in America this year, and that British pilots are learning to manage these machines in order to fly them across the Atlantic.

Forty-five modern American bombers have already arrived in China and, it was stated yesterday in Washington, that four Flying Fortresses were being released to be sent to the Chinese Government.—(Special)

FIVE ITALIAN SHIPS SUNK

The Admiralty announced yesterday that five Italian supply ships or transports have been torpedoed and almost certainly destroyed, states a London message.

H. M. submarine UTMOST attacked two 6,000-ton ships, crowded with troops. There was a loud explosion following the firing of the torpedo and it is almost certain that one vessel was sunk.

H. M. submarine UNIQUE torpedoed a fully-laden supply ship which was also believed to have been sunk.

H. M. submarine TRIUMPH torpedoed two other fully-laden ships, of about 2,500 tons each.—(Special)

Four Hospitals And Famous Hostelry Hit In Raid On London

FOUR HOSPITALS AND A FAMOUS HOSTELRY WERE AMONG THE BUILDINGS DAMAGED WHEN LONDON HAD ITS HEAVIEST AIR ATTACK OF THE YEAR ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT, states a London message.

In one hospital, where there were 1,200 patients, 500 had to be evacuated from one wing at the height of the raid. There were only a few casualties.

A wing of another hospital collapsed and the five nurses were rescued unhurt from under the debris by their colleagues. There were only two serious casualties among 100 patients.

First aid workers and fire fighters had a busy night but all fires were extinguished or under control before daybreak.—(Special)

Reuter reports that attacking in groups, the Nazi bombers rained down high explosives and fire bombs for several hours. Many commercial buildings, shops and houses were damaged, while at least four hospitals were hit.

An Air Ministry communique says that preliminary reports do not suggest very heavy casualties. At some points, public services have been temporarily affected, but damage is not extensive.

Outside London, there is little to report.

One enemy bomber was shot down by A.A. fire.

HOUSES DAMAGED

Two German planes flew out of the clouds yesterday morning over the South-East Coast and dropped some bombs causing damage to private houses and casualties, states a London message.—(Special)

TREMENDOUS WELCOME FOR AMERICAN SQUADRON AT SYDNEY: AUSTRALIANS HAVE GREATEST THRILL OF LIVES

Allowed Freedom Of City: Cordial Greeting By Governor-General

AUSTRALIANS RECEIVED THE GREATEST THRILL OF THEIR LIVES YESTERDAY WITH THE ARRIVAL IN SYDNEY OF SEVEN SHIPS OF THE UNITED STATES FLEET, STATES A SYDNEY MESSAGE.

The officers and men were given a tremendous reception and they were allowed the freedom of the city, and everyone joined in giving "the boys from the Great Democracy of the States" a grand welcome.

It was a great day for Sydney and everyone rose early to wait the coming of valued and esteemed friends, made all the more valuable by the practical application of the phrase "a friend in need is a friend indeed."

The rain which had fallen during the night did not damp the enthusiasm of the people in Sydney, and every vantage point was occupied as the seven ships, led by the flagship of the American squadron, U.S.S. Chicago, steamed up to Sydney Head and dropped anchor.

LORD GOWRIE, V.C. Governor-General of Australia, and other high Government officials were present to greet REAR-ADMIRAL NEWTON, the Commander of the U.S. squadron.

SWIRLING CROWDS

An hour later the American sailors marched through the packed streets of Sydney to the Town Hall. Everybody seemed to realise the significance of the visit, and enthusiasm was as great as that which was shown during the visit of the Prince of Wales. Swirling crowds of Australians watched the Americans marched in procession headed by bands.

Every window was packed with spectators, and some of the occupants took their lives in their hands as they leaned out to wave to the Americans.

All American flags in Sydney were bought up for the occasion, and women displayed the American colours on their frocks and had slogans on their hats among which were "COME UP AND SEE ME SOMETIME."

Six hundred ratings from the American squadron took part in the march through the streets, and crowds of coloured streamers were showered on them from the windows.

OFFICIAL LUNCHEON

At the Town Hall where an official luncheon was given, MR. A. W. FADDEN, the Acting Prime Minister, said, addressing Rear-Admiral Newton:

"It is my very pleasant duty to address to you and your officers and ratings, on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia, a cordial and sincere welcome."

"We welcome you as comrades. We welcome you as people who have extended to us not only the hand of friendship but the hand of co-operation."

"Australia has never been so thrilled as by your visit which we consider a part of the wonderful action of your President. You have given us the assistance we need at a time when it is most required. You have done all that can possibly be done."

Mr. Hughes, Secretary for the Navy, said, in the course of his speech, "We stand together and we are fighting this war alongside each other. And so we welcome you and we are glad you have come."

FIGHT LIKE AMERICANS Rear-Admiral Newton, in reply, said, "We know that you in Australia."

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WHAT BARONET ASKED POLICE INSPECTOR

NAIROBI, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—"It you came home one day and found your wife in bed with another man and you shot him, would you be charged with and hanged for murder?"

This question was alleged by Chief Inspector Elliott to have been put to him by Sir Delves Broughton when the Inspector was giving evidence at the resumed preliminary enquiry into Lord Errol's death.

The Inspector replied that it was very unlikely in those circumstances that there would be a murder charge. Punishment depended on the circumstances and might be as little as three to six months' imprisonment.

SITTING BY PIT

Insp. Elliott stated that on Jan. 30 he found Sir Delves sitting by the pit that he had set afire, and in it was what appeared to be a bloodstained golf stocking and pieces of charred alk.

Sir Delves, thereupon asked what it was like in a local prison and whether Europeans were hanged for murder in Kenya.

The Inspector afterwards gave evidence of visiting the up-country farm where Sir Delves was said to have been practising revolver shooting.

The case is proceeding.

BRITISH PILOT SIGNALS "HEIL HITLER"

The adventures of a British pilot on a dark night over Germany were revealed yesterday, states a London message.

It appears that he could not find his target and after circling round for some time decided to go for an alternative target but on the way he met German bombers returning to their aerodrome.

He followed them and was actually given the signal to land. Diving towards the brilliantly illuminated "drome," the pilot signalled "Heil Hitler!" and then dropped a stick of bombs.

The British pilot returned home safely.—(Special)

TIN QUOTA

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—The tin quota for the third and fourth quarters of the current year was fixed at 130 per cent. of standard tonnages at a meeting of the International Tin Committee today.

The Committee recommended to the signatory Governments that the present control scheme should be continued for a further period from Jan. 1, 1942. They also suggested certain amendments to the scheme.

Today's News Summary

A VERY WARM WELCOME was extended by Australians to the United States Fleet squadron of seven ships which arrived at Sydney yesterday. The Governor-General, Lord Gowrie, greeted the visitors who were accorded the freedom of the city. An official luncheon was given at which cordial speeches were delivered. The American squadron, which has been on a visit of goodwill and recreation at Auckland, left yesterday.

FOUR HOSPITALS SUFFERED damage when London was heavily raided on Wednesday night. Many fires were caused but these were extinguished or under control before dawn. Among the patients there were only two serious casualties.

THE ADVANCE TOWARDS Keren by British forces is making steady progress. It is revealed that Jijiga was occupied with no difficulty. The R. A. F. are continuing their attacks in support of the advancing troops.

IT IS REPORTED that advance Greek units have entered Tepelini, the last town held by the Italians, on the road to Valona. The Tepelini area itself was raided by British bombers and military buildings were left roofless.

Great Progress Of War Industries In S. Africa

THE PROGRESS OF WAR INDUSTRIES in South Africa is making great strides, states a London message. This is especially evident in munition productions.

GUNS, MOTOR VEHICLES, shells, clothing, boots and bombs are being produced at a rate never before achieved in the Union's history. South Africa is not only supplying her own army but the armies in the Dominions and in the Middle East.

ARMoured CARS MADE in the Union took part in the victorious Libyan campaign.

SOUTH AFRICA IS NOW supplying her own Howitzers made from a type of steel not hitherto produced in the Union.

MORE THAN 55 TYPES of special military vehicles are being made.

BOOTS, CLOTHING and army blankets have helped to equip the Greek Army, as well as the Union and the British Army in Africa.—(Special)

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inner of " or " will have his hand reduced by one point.

The Cottage Club will hold a paper hunt on Saturday, commencing at 3.30 p.m. Ponies will be drawn for in the usual manner. It is hoped that as many riders as possible will turn out for this event, the details of which will be announced later in the week.

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The H.K. Cricket Club has
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r Saturday, March 22, and
7, March 29.

Evelino seconded, that
Linstead and Davis and
Percy, Smith, Seth and
be re-elected Auditors.

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Police (Kowloon), 430 p.m.
 Royal Scots v. Club (Military)
 430 p.m. Kit Chee v. Ordnance
 (Caroline Hill), 3 p.m. Third

ures for Saturday, March 22, and
Saturday, March 23.

Owing to Volunteer and other duties, the H.K. Cricket Club has cancelled its remaining cricket fixtures for Saturday, March 22, and Saturday, March 23.

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A Paramount Picture

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THE WORLD IS STILL LAUGHING FOR A THIRD HILARIOUS WEEK!

Charlie Chaplin
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Produced, written and directed by CHARLIE CHAPLIN
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Prices: 50 cts., 75 cts., \$1.50 & \$2.20 and a limited number of Box Seats at \$3.30.

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NOTE: This picture will NOT be shown elsewhere at lower prices for an INDEFINITE period of time. HELD OVER AT THIS THEATRE FOR A FEW DAYS ONLY.

COMING EVENTS

MAR.
21—Tides: High 5.15 a.m. and 3.51 p.m. Low 8.07 a.m. and 11.44 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:27 a.m.; Sunset 6:33 p.m.
St. Andrew's Fellowship "Get Together," 8.45 p.m.
St. Andrew's Club Annual Marathon Race, 5 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Cheero Club, Darts & Table Tennis, Inter-School Sports, Caroline Hill, Crown Land Sale, D.O. South, 11 a.m.
Y.M.C.A. Dance for Servicemen, 9 p.m.
A.D.C. Production, "Sarah Simple," China Fleet Club Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
University Arts Assn. Plays for Schools, Varsity Great Hall, 7 p.m.
Volunteer Nursing Detachment, A.R.P. Course, Happy Valley Hqs., 5.30 p.m.
H.K. University Medical Society, Union Assembly Room, 5.30 p.m.
First Aid Practical Lessons, S.C. M.P. Board Room, 5.30 p.m.
"Way of the Cross," Catholic Cathedral, 5.30 p.m.
22—Tides: High 5.57 a.m. and 5.22 p.m. Low 10.01 a.m. and 12.54 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.24 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.
First Extra Meeting, Happy Valley, 2 p.m.
Claims against estate of John Robinson due.
Tai Po Rural Home and Orphanage, "At Home," New Territories, 3 to 6 p.m.
A.D.C. Production, "Sarah Simple," China Fleet Club Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
University Arts Assn. Play, "Varsity Great Hall, 8.20 p.m.
Lecture: Dr. Chitt on "Prophecy," 77 Pokfulam Road (2nd floor), 8.30 p.m.
23—Tides: High 7.52 a.m. and 6.34 p.m. Low 12.44 a.m. and 11.43 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.25 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.
National Day of Prayer.
Fanning Hunt and Race Club meet, Kwun, 2.45 p.m.
Service at "Obel Leah" Synagogue, 11 a.m.
24—Tides: High 8.26 a.m. and 7.34 p.m. Low 1.27 a.m. and 12.54 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.24 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.
St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Entries Close for Second Extra Meeting of H.K. Jockey Club, 5 p.m.
Crown Land Sale, P.W.D. Office, 3 p.m.
Lecture: "Vocal Music," Chinese "Y." Kowloon, 7.30 p.m.

"SEVEN SINNERS"

Today's Attraction At

King's Theatre
Marlene Dietrich, in her first starring film since the triumphant "Destry Rides Again," returns to the screen in Universal's "Seven Sinners," opening today at the King's Theatre.

John Wayne, one of Hollywood's foremost young male stars, plays opposite Miss Dietrich in "Seven Sinners" at the head of an imposing cast that includes Albert Dekker, Broderick Crawford, Mischa Auer, Billy Gilbert, Anna Lee, and Oscar Homolka.

"Seven Sinners" was produced by Joe Pasternak, who likewise was the producer of "Destry Rides Again" as well as all the Deanna Durbin successes. The veteran Tay Garnett, known as the "Conrad of the Directors," was the director of this romance of the South Seas and is credited with one of the crowning achievements of his career.

Miss Dietrich sings three new songs by Frederick Hollander and Frank Loesser, who composed her tunes for "Destry Rides Again." General musical supervision was by Charles Previn.

Radio Programmes

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REQUEST VARIETY AND DANCE PROGRAMMES

Tchaikovsky Ballet

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Compositions of Rossini.

Overture "Semiramide" — Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York cond. by Arturo Toscanini. Selva Opaca Deserta Brughera (from "William Tell") — Lina Pagliughi (Soprano) with Orchestra. Overture "La Scala Di Sete" — The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Arturo Toscanini. La Danza — Jan Klepura (Tenor) with Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Joe Green (Xylophone and Bell) and Milt Herth (Organ).

The Whirlwind — Joe Green (Xylophone) and Milt Herth (Organ).

Hungarian Dance No. 6 in B Flat Major (Brahms-Jochim) — Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) with Piano acc. Pastourelle; Toccata (Boult) — Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) with Piano acc. La Chasse — Caprice (Carter-Kreisler); Turkish March — Scherzo (Beethoven-Auer) — Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) with Piano acc.

8.00 London Relay — The News.

9.15 London Relay — "Questions of the Hour."

9.30 Request Variety Programme.

Vocal Duet — Another One Gone (Nichols) — Norah Blaney and Gwen Farrar with Piano and Cello. "Chu Chin Chow" — Selection (Morton) — London Palladium Orch. Vocal — Little Lady Make-Believe (Tobias Simon) — Bing Crosby with Eddie Dunstetter at the Organ. Dixieland — Selection — Intro: Whistling Rufus; Alexander's Ragtime Band; Deep River; Dinah; The Wedding Song; Oh! You Beautiful Doll; I Want to be in Dixie; The Gaby Bides; The Shiek; The Ragtime Violin; That Mysterious Rag; Back Home in Tennessee — Debroy Somers Band with Vocal Chorus. Vocal — When April Rings; Waltzing in the Clouds (both from film "Spring Parade") — Deanna Durbin with Orchestra.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.00 London Relay — "Correspondence Column" by Sidney Hornshaw.

10.15 Request Variety Programme continued.

Orch. — Gaiety Memories — Intro: Going Up; Every Little Girl can teach me something now; The Last Waltz; They didn't believe me; White City; Brighton; The Tickle Tole; Mary; Here in my Arms; The Guards Brigade — London Palladium Orchestra. Vocal — You're a Sweetheart (from the film); My Fine Feathered Friend (film "You're a Sweetheart") — Greta Keller with Orchestra. Slow Fox-Trot — Star Dust Covered Bumble — Joe Los and His Orchestra. Vocal — The Wizard of Oz — Selection — Steffani & His Silver Songsters. Rumba — Mario La O — Leucena Cuban Boys. Vocal — Where Yorkshire and Lancashire Meet (Evans and Others) — Kitty Masters assisted by Bert Masters and Two Pianos. Slow Fox-Trot — I Love You Much Too Much — Ambrose and His Orchestra. Vocal — That Sly Old Gentleman (film "East side of Heaven") — Bing Crosby with Orchestra. Fox-Trot — Sweet Potato Piper (film "The Road to Singapore") — Glenn Miller & His Orchestra. Savoy Southern Memories — Intro: Uncle Ned; My Old Kentucky Home; Massa's in de cold cold ground; Who's dat a-calling; Carry Me Back to Old Virginia; Swing Low, Sweet Chariot; Camp Town Races; Deep River — Debroy Somers Band with Male Chorus.

11.00 Close down.

Fag. Jacq. — Leoncavallo) — Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) and Iva Pacetti (Soprano) with Orchestra. Dance of the Apprentices (The Masteringers of Nuremberg — Wagner) — London Symphony Orchestra. Yes, she was taken from me — Each tear that falls (Rigoletto) — Verdi — Enrico Caruso (Tenor) with Orchestra.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Tchaikovsky — The Swan Lake — Ballet Music.

Introduction — Dance of the Queen of the Swans — Dance of the Swans — Waltz — Dance of the Swans — Spanish Dance — Mazurka — Dance of the Cypriotes — Finale — London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Antal Dorati.

8.35 A Piano and Violin Recital by Vladimir Horowitz and Yehudi Menuhin.

Valse Oublie (Liszt); Capriccio in F Minor (Dohnanyi) — Vladimir Horowitz (Piano); Romanza Andaluza — Spanish Dance — Op. 22 (Sarasate); Hungarian Dance No. 6 in B Flat Major (Brahms-Jochim) — Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) with Piano acc. Pastourelle; Toccata (Boult); Etude "Cl Four Les Arceps Composes (Debussy) — Vladimir Horowitz (Piano); La Chasse — Caprice (Carter-Kreisler); Turkish March — Scherzo (Beethoven-Auer) — Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) with Piano acc.

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SHORT WAVE

DAVENTRY

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G.S.O. 15.1 m. (19.79 m.)

NEWS IN ENGLISH

Transmission I — News Summary 4.00 p.m.
Full Bulletin 5.00 p.m.
Transmission V — News Summary 6.45 p.m.
Full Bulletin 7.00 p.m.
do. 9.00 p.m.
do. 12.00 mid-night

Trans. II & III — News Summary 7.30 a.m.

Full Bulletin 8.30 a.m.

SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Spanish theatres and cinemas had a revenue of 620,000,000 pesetas in 1940. It was announced in Madrid.

Of this sum, 480,000,000 pesetas represent the revenue of cinemas, 120,000,000 pesetas that of theatres and 20,000,000 pesetas that of vaudeville theatres.

KING'S

SHOWING TODAY At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.30 p.m.

"DESTRY" DIETRICH IS AT IT AGAIN!

She makes a South Seas Typhoon look like a gentle breeze... as she takes over a lawless Pacific Paradise!

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To Local Attacks

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—The Greek reply to local attacks by Italian troops on the Albanian front on Tuesday was quick and drastic. The attacking detachments were all driven back and sustained heavy losses.

This claim was made in a Greek Press Ministry statement broadcast from the Athens radio last night.

It was stated that the attacks were preceded in each case by a fairly heavy artillery barrage.

ATTACK REPULSED

ATHENS, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—The Italian offensive action in the central sector of the Albanian front, supported by tanks, and another minor action in the northern sector have been repulsed. Prisoners were taken and three tanks destroyed.

Last night's Greek High Command communiqué states that a company of attacking Italian forces was cut off and, trapped in the converging fire of Greek automatic weapons and artillery, was completely wiped out.

As a result of successful operations, the Greeks captured a number of prisoners in the Acoo Valley.

All is quiet in the interior of the country.

CHARACTER
OF GERMAN
AIR RAIDS

LONDON, Mar. 20 (British Wireless).—While only 72 of the members of the London Passenger Transport Board serving with H.M. Forces had been killed or died on active service up to last December, 116 had been killed by enemy action and 322 injured while engaged in performance of their ordinary duties.

These figures throw some light on the character of German bombing attacks, since these regrettable casualties, incurred while on duty by the Board's 73,000 servants, would inevitably have been high if the Luftwaffe had not been content to drop their bombs haphazard on residential areas rather than press home their attacks on the vital communications of the capital.

MR. MATSUOKA TO
CALL AT MOSCOW

Mr. Matsuoka, Japanese Foreign Minister, who is spending two days in Moscow on his way to Berlin, will pay another call at Moscow on his way back to Tokyo, states a message from Sydney.

It was added that Mr. Matsuoka is seeking guarantees for Japan from Russia to safeguard her border interests. — (Special).

CHINESE ENVOY WARNS
OF NIPPON SCHEMES
IN EAST ASIA

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—“Let no-one make the mistake that Japan's programme has been in any way abandoned,” declared Dr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Ambassador in London, speaking at the Fabian Society luncheon yesterday.

“Japan is only waiting for a favourable moment to take the plunge in the hope of sharing the spoils with her Nazi partners, but I can assure you that China will not listen to any specious peace proposals designed only to extricate Japan for further aggressions.”

The Chinese Ambassador also declared: “China remains unconquered and more than ever unconquerable. We have been a bit tougher and even more resilient than the world expected. China is blessed with a brilliant leader. We have our Chiang Kai-shek as you have your Winston Churchill and Americans have their Franklin Roosevelt.”

“China has more than doubled her military strength since the war against Japan began. We are self-sufficient in all arms except planes and heavy guns which have to be imported and are essential to a general counter-offensive which may come sooner than might be expected.”

MECHANISED AGGRESSION

“China has really borne the brunt of mechanised aggression. She has led the van in armed resistance to a noxious doctrine that could not be checked by reasoning. From the beginning we felt that we were fighting for others as well as for ourselves although for more than two years we fought a rather lonely fight.”

“The world belatedly realises now what we asserted a decade ago about Japan's programme of aggression.”

The Ambassador did not deny that there was friction between the Government and the Communists though he said that it was greatly exaggerated by Japanese propaganda. Moreover, he was confident that the Communists, realising the supreme necessity for internal unity, would continue to accord the Government co-operation and support as they had pledged themselves to do when the war began.

MILITARY SUCCESSES

After surveying Chinese military successes of the past six months, Dr. Quo specially drew attention to the almost miraculous development of the natural riches in southwest and north-west China since the Chinese Government had been established in Chungking, the consequences of which for China's future influence in Asia may well outweigh all other fruits of war.

The Ambassador, whose reputation as an orator has been long established in London, was in fine form. The large audience generally agreed that he had never delivered a better speech, and it was punctuated by frequent applause, especially his references to President Roosevelt, Mr. Winston Churchill and the formidable growth of the Chinese forces which are now holding a million Japanese inextricably bogged in China.

White House
ConferenceN.E.I. SITUATION
DISCUSSED

WASHINGTON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—Dr. Kieffens, Dutch Foreign Minister, conferred with President Roosevelt just before the President left for a brief holiday and it is understood that the Netherlands East Indies was among the subjects discussed.

On leaving the White House, Dr. Kieffens said that he had talked with the President regarding the situation in the Netherlands.

He praised highly the President's efforts for the allies as well as his work in connexion with the Lease and Lend Act, as an admirable instance of his governing capacity.

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—King Boris of Bulgaria has been participating in the military exercises of German armoured divisions, according to a Bulgarian news agency. He also took part in the operations of German air squadrons when he was accompanied by his brother, Prince Cyril, and the Bulgarian Minister for War, General Daskaloff.

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WASHINGTON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—Commenting on the “training cruise” of four United States cruisers and nine destroyers to Australia and New Zealand ports, Colonel Knox said that the United States was “very closely in touch with Australia and greatly in sympathy with her aspirations.”

With the exception of those whose movements have already been publicised, there were no more United States naval vessels in the South Pacific, he added. Those in the Antipodes would return shortly to Honolulu.

TWO-OCEAN NAVY
VOTE PASSED

WASHINGTON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—The Senate Appropriations Committee yesterday unanimously approved the \$3,447,000,000 Bill to help finance America's two-ocean navy.

The Bill, which provides for the construction of six new-type battle cruisers, has passed the House of Representatives and the Senate begin its consideration today.

The House of Representatives has passed the Bill appropriating \$1,750,000,000 for the purposes of the Lease and Lend Act.

The voting in favour of the appropriation was 386 to 55.

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Nazi Depredation In Europe
Disclosed At Question
Time In Commons

LONDON, March 20 (Reuter).—The enormity of the burden placed on occupied countries by Germany was disclosed by the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, replying to a question in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon.

The total annual amount of German depredation is estimated at \$1,150,000,000 apart from the indirect losses to the occupied territories and this burden on countries for which no estimates are available.

The cash burden, said Mr. Butler, was about \$1,350,000,000 and in addition to this were obligations in kind.

Norway had to pay an annual sum of £88,000,000, equal to about £25 per head of population.

The comparative figures for Denmark were £28,000,000 and £8 per head; Belgium £75,000,000 and £8 per head; Holland £54,000,000 and £6 per head; France £327,000,000 and £20 per head.

In addition, Mr. Butler continued, Germany received amounts from Poland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania and Bulgaria but no estimates were available.

Norway's burden was the heaviest, amounting to over one-third of her pre-war national income.

YOUNG PLAN

Mr. Butler recalled that the maximum annual demand from Germany ever contemplated under the Young Plan was \$125,000,000 or less than one-third of the present French payment.

A further burden, said Mr. Butler, comprised exports from occupied countries to Germany. They are obliged to send more goods to

Japanese Transport
Sunk In Yangtze

SOUTH ANHWEI, Mar. 20 (Central).—Another Japanese naval transport has gone down to the bottom of the Yangtze due to the action of Chinese mobile artillery units.

Sailing up the Yangtze the vessel was fully loaded with military supplies and provisions. When it was passing Hsinchokow southeast of Anking in March 13, it was spotted and shelled by the Chinese. Several direct hits were scored on the vessel and it was sunk with all its complement and cargo on board.

DECISION REACHED ON THE QUESTION OF REMOVAL OF NIGHTSOIL

FINAL DECISION ON THE QUESTION OF THE REMOVAL OF NIGHTSOIL, AFTER A VERY FULL DISCUSSION on March 6, when unanimous opposition to the new Government scheme was voiced by the Unofficial Members was reached at the meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon.

The Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith (Chairman), announced that he was directed by His Excellency the Governor to say that the matter had once again been carefully considered by His Excellency and his Executive Council, and that it was the considered view of the Government, particularly from the important aspect of defence, that the proposals of the Urban Council should be adopted without further delay.

"I now propose formally that the Chairman of the Urban Council be authorised to incur expenditure provided in the Estimates for 1941-42 under Head 26, Sanitary Department, in respect of salaries and rent allowances of 2,000 nightsoil coolies," concluded Mr. Smith.

The Financial Secretary (Hon. Mr. R. R. Todd) seconded.

MOMENT AND METHOD

Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson: I think that in the main we feel that it has got to be done. None of us feel very happy about it. It is a question of moment and method.

Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo: The general view of the Unofficial Members at the various discussions which we have already had on this question was that the Urban Council should take steps to enforce the existing law and to supervise the existing coolies. But it would seem that the Urban Council has resolutely made up its mind that these sanitary laws, which have been in existence for such a long time, and as to which we have hitherto heard no complaints as to their inefficiency or inadequacy, cannot be enforced, and that adequate supervision of coolies cannot be devised.

I readily admit that in the midst of the prevalence of a serious outbreak of cholera, and in view of the uncertainty of the political situation, the time is not propitious for making experiments which apparently do not commend themselves to the Urban Council.

EMPHATIC PROTEST

In these circumstances it seems futile to prolong this discussion or for me to vote against the Motion. But I do wish to record my emphatic protest that, on the clear admission of the Chairman of the Urban Council at the last meeting, in answer to a question put by the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, the representations of the Luen Yick Guild were never considered by that Council or, as far as I know, by Government.

Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell: We agree to this vote but that preference should be given to the people who are in this trade already so that the minimum of aggravation will be created.

The Chairman of the Urban Council (Hon. Mr. W. J. Carrie) gave an assurance that he would employ as many as possible who were already engaged in the work.

Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce: I would like to ask this question. What

is done in regard to all those street sleepers and all the refugees who have no latrine or do not go to the latrine. I have a feeling myself that with all this overcrowding they do not make use of the public latrines.

PUBLIC LATRINES

Mr. Carrie: The public latrines are well patronised. I admit there is a great deal of fouling of scavenging lanes. Undoubtedly the clearing has to be done by scavenging coolies.

Mr. Pearce: That is done efficiently?

Mr. Carrie: I hope so.

Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, who refrained from voting, said that it would be interesting to observe when the reason of defence disappears.

Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields: Some information has been made available to the Executive Council which was not put up to the Finance Committee in this discussion. There is the question of extra taxation to provide for this measure. I want an assurance from the Chairman of the Urban Council that the expenditure will not exceed materially what we are asked to vote for now.

SPECIAL EXPENDITURE

Hon. Mr. Smith remarked that the cost of the coolies would remain constant from year to year but it would be admitted that there would be special expenditure when provision is made for modern conveniences.

Mr. Paterson: When the war is ended you will have ultimately to face some water borne system.

Somerset Maugham's "Mrs. Dot"

Rehearsals are well under way by the European Y.M.C.A. Amateur Dramatic Club for the presentation on April 24, 25, and 26, at the West Lounge Theatre, of Somerset Maugham's play "Mrs. Dot."

"Mrs. Dot" is a delightful comedy, written in Maugham's best vein. It is being produced by Charles Thom and is in aid of Y.M.C.A. War Charities.

Winifred Dalziel will be in the title role, supported by Norah Wiltchell, Peggy Sharp, Rita Cole, Ralph Dormer, David Ingleby and Freddie Clemo.

Unofficial Member Charges A.R.P. Department With "Scandalous Extravagance"

"Scandalous extravagance" was the term applied by the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce at the meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon, when he revealed that an allowance of \$500 had been paid for in connexion with a job of work for the A.R.P. Department, when the actual cost had only been \$87.

"On the face of it, it appears somewhere," remarked Mr. Pearce.

The Committee had before them a vote of \$90,000 for medical stores for Air Raid Precautions.

Hon. Mr. Pearce: May we be assured that that all these requirements have been carefully and properly shroffed up? It has been brought to my notice that there has been one case, which I cannot regard as anything but scandalous extravagance, where a private institution was requested to loan part of its offices out to the Medical Department. They were requested to have the premises blacked-out. This cost a sum of \$87, and the allowance to the architect of the A.R.P. for the particular job was \$500. The matter will come up shortly and will be brought to the notice of the proper authorities. I do say now that this sort of thing does undermine confidence when such things can happen. We are asked to vote this large expenditure and we wonder whether these things are checked over at all.

FULLY LOOKED INTO

Hon. Mr. R. R. Todd (Financial Secretary): I understand that the manager of the institution referred to by Hon. Mr. Pearce is going

to forward his accounts and I can assure Mr. Pearce that the matter will be most fully looked into.

Mr. Pearce thanked Mr. Todd for his assurance but said that he would like to know whether all the requirements in the vote under consideration had been properly shroffed up. He (Mr. Pearce) honestly felt very uneasy and had lost a good deal of confidence when he heard of such things as a job being done for \$87 and a cheque for \$500 handed over. He hoped when they were asked for \$90,000 for the A.R.P. that all the requirements were checked over by a competent person who was satisfied as to the right prices.

Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson: I think some explanation of the source of the cheque is required too.

Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith (Chairman) said that the vote would be most carefully checked over. The vote looked a very big sum but he did not know the details but was sure they were checked up by the financial authorities. He also assured the Committee that the Financial Secretary often came to



Mr. W. G. Long and his bride, formerly Miss Florence Fowler, who were married at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon. —(King's Studio).

CATHEDRAL WEDDING

MR. W. G. LONG AND MISS F. FOWLER

A quiet wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon when Miss Florence Margaret Fowler, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Fowler, became the bride of Mr. William Garland Long, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. U. Long, of Mundaring, Western Australia.

The Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Dean of the Cathedral, officiated while Mr. J. R. M. Smith was at the organ.

The bride, who was given away by her father, chose for her wedding dress a tight fitting bodice of ivory French satin worked with silver thread cut on Elizabethan style, and had a circular train with a long veil held in place by a halo of ostrich feathers. She carried a sheaf of lilies, tea roses and maiden-hair fern.

The Misses Norah Wiltchell and Allison Fisher, who were bridesmaids, wore "Ave de Nil" taffeta frocks trimmed with pearl buttons, with straw hats to tone set off with a white ostrich feather. They carried sheafs of white carnations and maiden-hair fern.

Mr. D. Davidson discharged the duties of bestman.

A reception was held at the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel after which the happy couple left for Repulse Bay Hotel prior to leaving for Shanghai where the honeymoon is to be spent.

The bridegroom is with the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company.

TORRIBLE-EARDLEY

At St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, yesterday afternoon, by special licence, Miss Decima Hilda Eardley, the well-known local badminton player and former Shanghai Ladies' Interport hockey player, was married to Capt. Graham Robert Torrible, master mariner, of No. 38, The Peak.

Father Limb, of the Maryknoll Mission officiated.

CAMPBELL-CARMO

The marriage took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday, with Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar of Marriages, officiating of Mr. Alexander Charles Campbell, master mariner, of No. 8 Lau Sin Street, second floor, and Miss Gertrude Marla Carmo, of No. 7 Seem Keen Terrace, top floor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—

Mr. Sydney Gordon Dark, sergeant, Royal Marines, H.M.S. Tamar, and Miss Mary Augusta Brown, of No. 3 Ching Lung Street, second floor.

Mr. Lei Peng-wei, teacher, of Lingnan University, and Miss Tong Tsuen, teacher, of No. 52 Yu Chaw Street, third floor.

Mr. Paul Anthony Tam, stamp dealer, of No. 38 Elgin Street, second floor, and Miss Mary Lo, of 1082 Canton Rd., first floor.

Mr. Matthew Tsui Man-cheung, shroff, of Sung Him Fong Village, and Miss Clara Fu Kwai-wah, of No. 3 Alveston Terrace, ground floor.

him with votes which in his opinion were extravagant and they had been cut out.

Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields said it was the question of the price paid that mattered.

MURDER TRIAL AT SESSIONS

Stabbing Of Rice Shop Mistress

The brutal killing of a rice shop mistress was recalled at the Criminal Sessions yesterday when LO HING was charged before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, with the murder of Ho San-tsun, at No. 54 Wuhu Street on Oct. 25.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, assisted by Det.-Insp. A. E. Carey, while Mr. Lo Tung-fan, instructed by Mr. P. C. Woo, was for the defence.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. C. M. Sequeira (Foreman), S. S. Sousa, A. M. Tavares, M. Sabban, Wong Kim-wah, Lau Yau-cheung and Ip Kau-ko.

Mr. Murphy said that deceased was a widow and owned the Chow Fung rice shop at No. 54 Wuhu Street. On the night of the alleged murder the shop was closed at 8 p.m. as usual and deceased was last seen alive by the household making up accounts with her nephew, Lee Ying-wai.

At 6 a.m. the following day, an adopted daughter, Lee Kam-fung, saw deceased lying on the ground, faced downward, in a pool of blood. The evidence against accused was that one man only, Wong King, who helped accused to climb into the house.

WORK FOR DECEASED

When formally charged, accused made a lengthy statement in which he said that deceased had taken his brother from his parents in Canton. He went to work for deceased during which he consulted Ah Luen and Ah Tong who advised to take revenge which he did and ran away.

Dr. Tai, of the Kowloon Mortuary, testified that the cause of death was multiple wounds and haemorrhage.

Lo Ping-tung, at present serving a prison term, testified that he was invited by accused to rob No. 54 Wuhu Street.

After Counsel's submissions, hearing was adjourned to 9.30 a.m. today.

MARINE CHARGED

SHANGHAI, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—Private Gerald E. Casement, of the 4th United States Marines, today pleaded Not Guilty to charges against him by the District Attorney of the United States Court for China, of having murdered, with malice aforethought, his 15-month-old stepson, Floyd Allan Sebastian, on or about Mar. 13.

The case was adjourned pending the appointment by the Court of a lawyer to defend Casement.

According to the Police, the bruised body was found in a compound of the Shanghai Jewish School in International Settlement on Mar. 14.

21,982 CASES OF HAWKERS

The annual report of the Hon. Commissioner of Police for 1939 contains some exceedingly interesting figures in respect of local crime.

Out of a grand total of 47,844 cases reported during the year 43,899 were brought before the magistrates. Included in these totals were 21,982 cases of hawkers (all charged); 227 of burglary (92 charged); 8,883 of larceny (5,421 charged); 37 of murders (18 charged); 215 of robbery (74 charged); 424 of gambling (all charged); 2,395 of forestry offences (all charged); 1,154 mendicants were charged; while opium cases numbered 1,608.

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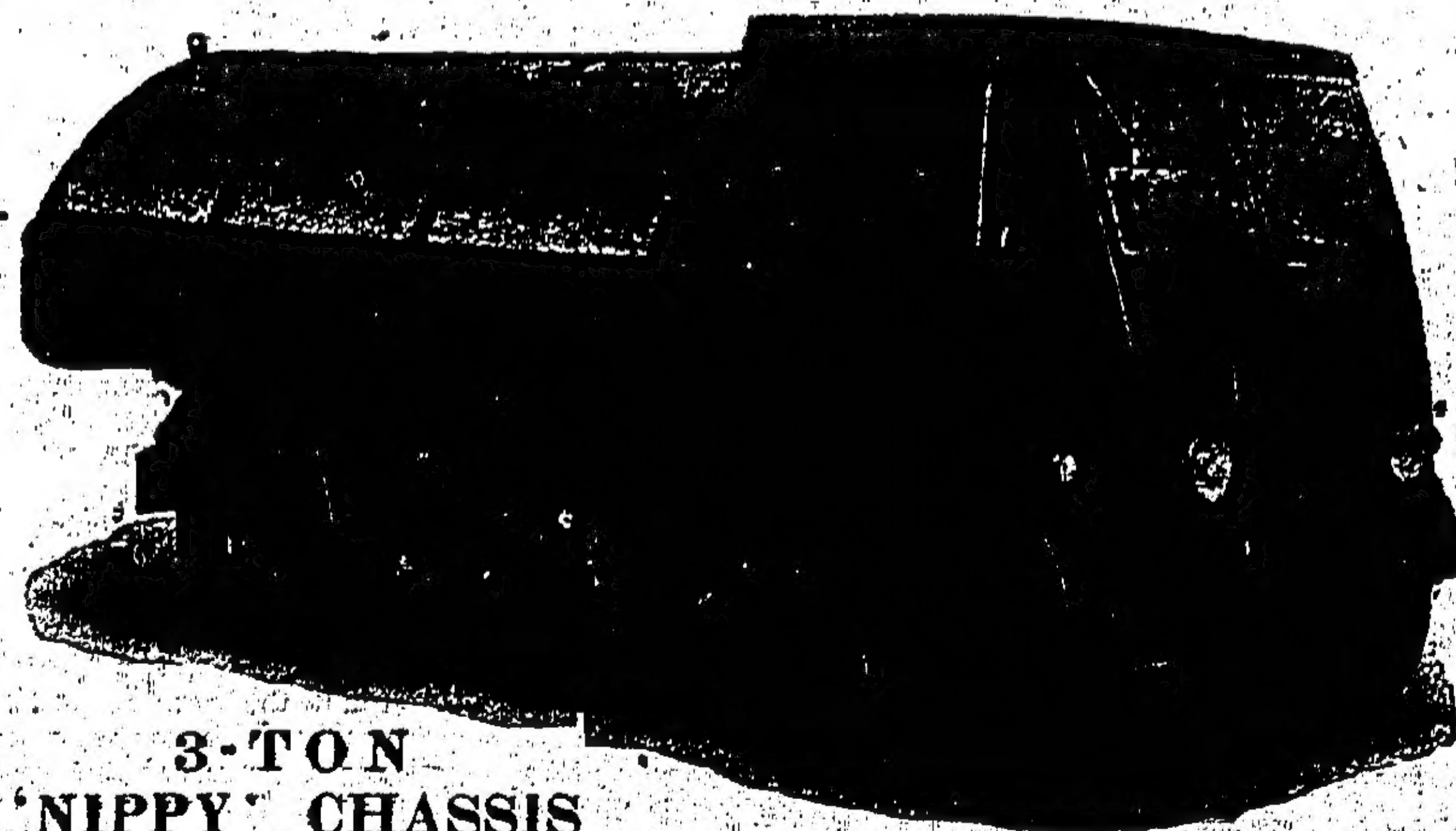
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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 18th to 31st March, 1941, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 10th March, 1941.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 24th day of March, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Lok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

In the matter of the Estate of JOHN LOWRIE late of Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., P. & O. Building, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, Mercantile Assistant, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of Sec. 58 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, made an order limiting the time to the 16th day of April, 1941, for creditors & others to send in claims against the above estate to the undersigned.

Dated this 19th day of March, 1941.

L. R. ANDREWES,
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EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office at China Buildings, 5th floor, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 3rd April, 1941, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and a Statement of Account for the year ending the 28th February, 1941, and of electing three Directors and an Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 28th March to the 3rd April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
FUNG PING FAN,
Director & Secretary.

Hong Kong, 18th March, 1941.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1941, to WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.

Hong Kong, 7th March, 1941.

FORGERS SENT TO PRISON FOR TWO YEARS

A Police raid on an unnumbered hut on the hillside above Shing On Street, Shaikwan, on Jan. 28 led to Wong Shing and Yu Cheuk being charged before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams at the Sessions yesterday with possession of instruments, copper plates and paper for forging \$1 notes of the Hongkong Government, and with possession of two printed sample copies of same.

Both accused were sentenced to two years' hard labour.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel assisted by Det. Sub-Ins. W. N.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 3RD APRIL, 1941, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31ST OCTOBER, 1940.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 24th MARCH, 1941, to THURSDAY, the 3RD APRIL, 1941, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 18th March, 1941.

CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSUMERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Company's standard charges will be increased as from 17th March, 1941, by adding a 10% surcharge to the amounts charged for electricity consumed for lighting and power as per meters read on and after 24th April, 1941.

The existing scale of discounts will remain in force.

By order of the Board of Directors,
D. W. MUNTON,
Manager.

Hong Kong, 8th March, 1941.

COAL FOR K.C.R. LOCOMOTIVES

COMPETITION BY HIRE CARS

Supplementary votes totalling \$519,888 were approved by the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon.

Regarding a vote of \$9,200 for E-3-1-2-1 coal for K.C.R. locomotives, Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson asked if the coal was in sight.

The Financial Secretary (Hon. Mr. R. R. Todd) replied that at the moment the coal was not in sight, but the Manager of the railway was in touch with the Essential Commodities Board. The ship which was bringing the coal had been requisitioned.

Replying to Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Mr. Todd said that the coal has been estimated at \$23 a ton.

OVERCROWDED CARS

Hon. Mr. Paterson remarked that, while on the question of the Kowloon Canton Railway, he would like to say that masses of public cars piled for hire on the road and, while there was no legislation to stop it, the fact remained that cars, licensed to carry five or seven passengers, were carrying vastly more people. He admitted that the Police were overworked, but it was a matter that the L and E overlooked.

The Colonial Secretary said the question had been raised before and he would take a note of it.

Darkin, prosecuted, and the jury comprised of Messrs. W. N. Fleming (Foreman), Sid Chun-wing, Tang Yunn-ching, F. H. Mody, Chan Kam-to, Tsang Kam-chuen and S. M. de Souza.

Both accused, in evidence, denied that they owned the things discovered by the Police. They had worked at the Wing Tai Cheung import and export firm and were engaged by a man named Poon Wing-kwong. Poon had gone back to the country and had asked them to look after the house, and they had only been there three days.

After a short retirement the jury returned a verdict of guilty on all three counts.

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CHINESE ENVOY'S FIGHTING SPEECH

MR. QUO TAI-CHI, the Chinese Ambassador to Britain, was certainly justified in the mild rebuke which he administered to the Western Democracies for their failure to recognise, for nearly a decade, what China had asserted about Japan's programme of aggression. The Ambassador, who was speaking at the luncheon given by the Fabian Society in London, might well have supported his statement by what other well-known political commentators have had to say on the same subject. Such well-known authorities as Mr. Wickham Steed, the author-journalist, and Sir Frederick Whyte, who was at one time Political Adviser to the Chinese National Government, have frequently pointed out with regret to the complacency of the Western Powers which permitted the birth of aggressive action in the Orient. Japan's entry into the field of power politics and its unprincipled admixture of ruthlessness and brute force can be traced back to her annexation of Korea. Aggression was not easily recognisable at that time and Japan was able to get away with her spoils. It was when her ambitions spread to China's Three Eastern Provinces (Liao-ning or Tungshan-seng) and she succeeded in setting up her puppet state of "Manchukuo" that her aggressive policy became most apparent.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS, it will be remembered, came to the conclusion that this invasion was an act of aggression from the report made by the commission which it sent out under Lord Lytton to investigate the position there, but the Western Powers even then failed to realise the scope of the Japanese plans for unrestrained expansion. Then came Japan's next mailed fist move which led to the hostilities which are still being continued on Chinese territory. Mr. Quo Tai-chi rightly affirmed that China's resistance to the Japanese from July 1937 was the first blow to stem aggression in the Eastern Hemisphere. The world only then recognised the ruthlessness of Oriental aggressor. It lifted up its hands in horror at the brutality with which the Japanese conducted their campaign, but, for nearly two years, as Mr. Quo Tai-chi said in his speech in London, China was left to carry on a rather lonely fight. Sympathy for China's cause was, however, growing fast and help for her fighting forces began to flow in. It was only when the present Axis war of aggression compelled the democracies to take up arms in the defence of freedom that the Western Powers came to a full realisation of the brilliant part which China had played, and is continuing to play, in the same cause, under the inspired leadership of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

THE FIGHT for liberty is on now—the wars of the west and the east have merged into one and this is being fought for a common cause. Help to those who have thus been drawn together to resist aggression is now pouring in and these champions of democracy remain unconquered and unconquerable. Each of them have their leaders in whom the people have the greatest confidence. Mr. Quo Tai-chi stressed the fact that, despite four years of war, the Chinese are tougher and even more resilient than the world expected them to be. Their material and spiritual strength has increased and they now stand, side by side with the democracies, with renewed vigour and encouragement to perform their full share in the cause of world peace and to destroy brute force and aggression. The Chinese Ambassador uttered a note of warning in taking too much for granted when he declared that Japan had not abandoned her plans for collecting her illegal spoils, when, and where, she thought she would be able to gather them. The warning was, in fact, made to prevent any over-optimism or complacency which might tend to relax the strength of the resistance which is now being mobilised against the Axis Powers. With the assistance that has now been promised her—and reports have it that planes from the United States have already arrived in China—the Chinese are fully capable, as Mr. Quo Tai-chi declared, of not only holding the Japanese at bay, but of forcing them to withdraw from their territory.

Estate Duty Ordinance Amendment

The first reading of a Bill to amend further the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1932, as amended by the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1936, was moved by the Attorney General at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon.

The Attorney General explained that the Bill had not only been approved by the Executive Council but had been referred to the War Taxation Committee which recommended it with the proviso that a return to the existing rates after the war be considered.

THOSE PRESENT

Present at the meeting were His Excellency the Governor (Sir Geoffrey Northcote) (President), H.E. Major-General A. E. Grasett, Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith), Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster), Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North), Financial Secretary (Hon. Mr. R. R. Todd), Director of Medical Services (Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke), Director of Public Works (Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves), Commissioner of Police (Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue), Chairman of the Urban Council (Hon. Mr. W. J. Carlie), Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jun., Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas-Tam, Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong and Mr. C. Bramall Burgess (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

NOT PERMITTED TO JOIN UP

Whilst on leave in England, a number of Hongkong police officers unsuccessfully applied for permission to join the regular fighting Forces, it was learned. They are now back in the Colony and have resumed their duties in the Police Force.

\$2,000 RANSOM

Robbers operating from off a junk raided a match at Tap Shek Kok near Lung Kung Tan village, Castle Peak district, on Wednesday and made off with \$43 in money and two men who are being held for ransom.

A report of the kidnapping was made to the Police yesterday by Lau Yung-sung, 42, a fisherman. The robbers want a ransom for the two men a sum of \$2,000, six singlets and six 500-foot beam torches.

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Capt. R. G. Torrible and Miss Decima Eardley who were married at St. Joseph's Church yesterday.—(King's Studio).

WAR IN ALBANIA IS NOW PART OF WIDER CAMPAIGN, SAYS CAPT. CYRIL FALLS

"The point to remember is that the Albanian war can no longer be regarded as such. It can only be considered to be part of a far wider campaign and the Greeks will never forget that for one moment," said CAPTAIN CYRIL FALLS, military correspondent of THE TIMES, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the strategy of the Greeks in Albania.

"Many events have been occupying our minds lately—events which directly affect the United Kingdom and Europe," said Captain Falls, in opening his talk. "Above all, President Roosevelt's speech has held our attention and there are our own successes in Africa, which ended in the capture of Berbera."

GREEK VICTORY

"The Battle of the Atlantic has been joined—the conveying of ships and the lurking enemy who is trying to sink them. In these circumstances, we may not have given full weight to the great victory gained by the Greek army in Albania."

"The battle began on March 9 and seems to have died down on March 15. The Italian counter-offensive was launched in the Central Sector of the Albanian front, in the neighbourhood of Tepelini. On some days it extended to 11 miles or more—on others it was concentrated to about 2 miles."

"The Greek advance having slowed down for a time, the Italians were able to send fresh troops, including Black Shirts and the Alpini, who were there to do the real fighting. Artillery was also concentrated in support of the counter-offensive, while aircraft consisting of fifty bombers or more were escorted by fighters. Members of the home guard of Fascists were there to hearten the men. It may be that some of them may not return."

"Signor Mussolini himself is strongly believed to have gone to the front to make an appeal to his forces to retrieve their prestige. The Greeks could hardly have failed to feel the strain of all they have undergone. They have never been as well-equipped as the Italians and they must have found it hard to replace the heavy wastage of war."

SOME ANXIETY

"I am sure that it was not without some anxiety that the Greek command saw the coming counter-offensive. It would have been unnatural had there not been such anxiety, but the result of the week's battle has been the complete defeat of the Italian counter-attack."

"Over 3,000 prisoners were taken, including many senior officers. That is a very bad sign from the Italian point of view. It may be quite all right for senior officers to be taken prisoner in a retreat, but when senior officers of the attacking side fall into the enemy's hands, it may be taken that they had to take the front line to ensure that their troops went forward and in support of this are the reports that Italian officers have used their revolvers to make them do so."

Capt. Falls went on to explain that against the wave of artillery fire which the Italians put up it would have been folly for the Greeks to have massed along a single line of defence, which was just what the enemy was seeking. The inference was that the Greek army was kept intact and small sections of machine-guns pushed forward to take a heavy toll and then to fall back if they could."

For every attack made by the Italians, a counter-attack was launched and for the first time the Italian attacks were launched on the right sector of the front. The fighting was very active and British and Greek aircraft gave support to the Greek troops.

CONSIDERABLE DANGER

"I want you to realise that despite this splendid achievement of the Greeks, they are still in considerable danger," continued Capt. Falls. "It may be taken for granted that the Italians expected to do a great deal better, but I don't think their German masters expected it. The Germans looked upon it as a temporary diversion to keep the Greeks occupied—to add grist to the Nazi mill."

"We may now be tempted to ask what are the prospects if the Greeks bring the Italian counter-offensive to a complete standstill? Will they be able to resume their offensive still further and push forward to Elbasan and Valona?"

"There are many factors to be considered. The Greeks may not be discouraged, but they certainly must be very tired. In the present circumstances, the Greeks may not desire to add too many troops to an offensive however promising the prospects. They have shown a happy mixture of prudence and nerve so far, but the point to remember is that the Albanian war is no longer considered as such."

"It can only be considered as part of a far wider campaign and the Greeks will never forget that for a moment," concluded Captain Falls.

NEWSETTES

The Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association will hold its annual meeting at the Hongkong Cricket Club on March 28 at 5.30 p.m.

"The Nature of the Chemical Bond" was the subject of a lecture given by Dr. H. S. Frank last evening in Room "K" of the University.

The wedding took place on Mar. 8 at the Church of Christ the King, Shanghai, of Mr. R. D. H. Wilmer, of the Nederlandsch Indische Handelsbank, and Miss Maria Hidalgo, daughter of Mrs. Concepcion Sanchez of Manila. The bride's sister, Mrs. Carmen de Ridder, was matron of honour, Mr. W. M. de Haan acted as bestman, and the ushers were Messrs. H. Ridder Huysen, van Kattendijke, B. Schelto, S. C. Le Poole, and J. Duinker.

FORGED NOTES

Charged with a breach of the Defence Regulations by placing on board junk No. T3463E at Cheung Sha Wan, on Mar. 19, 400 bags of flour for the purpose of exporting out of the Colony without a permit from the Controller of Trade, Ma Wai-cho, 24, shop fohi, was fined \$50 by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Revenue Officer J. E. Tocher prosecuted.

EXPORT OF FLOUR

Charged with unlawful possession at No. 34, Tai Yuen Street, ground floor, of two forged \$10 notes—of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, a \$10 note of the Chartered Bank and a \$1 note of the Hongkong Government, Mo Fui-fong, 24, unlicensed hawk, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Det. Sgt. J. MacDonald prosecuted.

SIR FREDERICK WHYTE ON

ANGLO-U.S. CO-OPERATION
& ITS EFFECT ON EUROPE:
FRENCH FOOD SHORTAGE

"The horizon may be a little distant as yet—the skies are not as clear as we would like it to be, but our hopes are brighter every day," said SIR FREDERICK WHYTE, K.C.S.I., former Political Adviser to the Chinese National Government, when he broadcast from London on Wednesday in the series "LONDON NEWS LETTER."

Sir Frederick opened his talk with the events which had taken place in America in connexion with the passing of the Lease and Lend Bill and President Roosevelt's recent speech.

HISTORICAL OCCASION

"The things America is doing and the way she is doing them," he said, "compels us to applaud her. The United States Ambassador to this country made his first speech the other day. Probably never in the history of this famous Anglo-American Society has it met on such a historical occasion."

"Mr. Winston Churchill is a man of few words and when he said that the British people were holding the bridge of civilisation, we know that he meant what he said."

"With the new American Ambassador has come Mr. Harriman to find out how we are getting on and also to discover what are the things we need. These two latest arrivals from the United States are witnesses of the temper of the British people and of her hopes of victory. Both of them said that they believed we could hold out and that, with the United States to back us, victory is on the horizon. That horizon may be a little distant as yet, the skies are not as clear as we would like it to be, but our hopes are brighter every day."

GLOWING BACKGROUND

"Then there is the President's speech, which made a glowing background to the scene of uncertainty in Europe, and especially in the Balkans. The slowing down of the German operations, down there is probably due to the bad spring weather and reports speak of heavy rains and snow-storms which have made movement on the roads very slow indeed."

"Today is the nineteenth day since the Nazis entered Bulgaria and ever since German troops have crossed the Bulgarian frontier and the Bulgarian capital is ringing with rumours. The latest news shows that not only the weather has slowed down the forward move there."

"There were political obstacles which were proving rather obstinate. Among these were the defeat of the Italian counter-offensive in Albania and in which General Cavallero failed to present Signor Mussolini with a Fascist victory, which he had gone to Albania to witness."

"Herr Hitler has now stolen the lime-light. I have said before in these news letters that Herr Hitler wants Greece not for himself, but as a means to an end as a jumping off place to threaten our position in the Mediterranean. His manoeuvres to secure a spring-board at the western end of the Mediterranean are being watched in London as are his moves in the Balkans."

FOOD SHORTAGE

"The French armistice did not give him control of the French Fleet and the French ports and naval bases. He does not prefer to take them by force and he sees a chance to get them by exploiting the shortage of food in France."

"That shortage can be used in two ways by Germany," went on Sir Frederick. "First by an attempt to seize the food in France and secondly, by trying to get food past the British blockade. The Paris press has been saying that Germany has been proposing to return to France some little part of this food which she took from her. When Herr Hitler gives back all he has stolen from this territory, it will be time enough to talk of German generosity."

"As for the second point, it has been suggested that the French Fleet should be used to escort food ships through the blockade. That would mean a clash with the British Navy, for we are not going to let food pass into German hands. This, of course, is a trick to get the Vichy Government into the war by provoking an Anglo-French clash by bringing up this question of blockade."

"All Herr Hitler is really after is to get control of the French ships and French bases by hook or by crook and to have the food situation until"

the occupation of entire France is possible.

AUTHORITY NEEDED

"We know where we stand on both points today," declared Sir Frederick. "We don't want to inflict hardships on the French people if we can help it. If we can find some way of sending food to France without helping the enemy, we would do so, but we are dealing with an enemy who has reduced robbery to an exact science. As for the hunger and suffering, our answer is that these must always be present there as long as the Germans are in control."

"That is a picture of the question as a whole. When the Ministry for Economic Warfare says that they will be glad to let food go through into unoccupied France, on condition that it does not reach the enemy, we must see how that condition is satisfied before we release our blockade."

"To secure this, there must be some reliable authority to control its distribution and to see that it is not carried into occupied France, from where it may go into Germany. The only possible authority is America and since the American Red Cross has experience in this kind of work, the American Red Cross will be the natural authority."

QUID PRO QUO NEEDED

"This concerns the United States almost as much as it concerns us. There is already one American ship on its way, and others will follow, carrying supplies for French children, but before we can increase their number so as to fill the Spanish and French larders, we must get a quid pro quo in exchange."

"I imagine that the American Government will want to be satisfied that the scheme will not be allowed to benefit Germany. The American people have great sympathy for the French, but it does not seem likely that Americans in their present mood, will allow their generosity to lead them into a policy that will benefit Herr Hitler, unless that policy is safeguarded."

"In any case we see something significant in Herr Hitler's attempt to make the French Fleet convoy French ships. We feel sure that the tribunal of world opinion will pronounce in our favour."

THE MEDITERRANEAN

Sir Frederick then turned to events in the Mediterranean, where he said Herr Hitler was trying to make the nations, great and small, serve him in his conquest."

"To the Continental mind, which sees the army as a machine of power, the massing of the forces of Nazi conquest may seem to be a decisive weight in the scales. The Continental mind usually fails to measure the influence of sea-power, and therefore, when the spear-head of German armed power is thrust forward, it seems to fascinate the Continental mind and make men forget how power like that has been brought to naught in the past."

"As we watch Herr Hitler, therefore, stretching out his hands to grasp Greece with one hand and Spain with the other, we know that his major purpose is to destroy British sea-power. His is one of the few Continental minds that can appreciate what that power means."

"FIT AS A FIDDLE"

"And now, as every proper letter has a postscript, here is my postscript—I have a personal interest in the Prime Minister, because I was his Private Secretary for four years in the far off days when he was a young Cabinet Minister. I have not seen him lately, but I met a friend recently who dined with him recently. I asked him how Winston was standing up to it and he said 'As fit as a fiddle.'"

"The Prime Minister's whole career training him to this task. The cheeky boy at Harrow, who devoured books and broke rules, who was captured by the Boers and escaped—all of this was leading to his present task right up to the final test today. Everything in Winston Churchill's life had just been leading up to this."



Photograph taken after the marriage between Mr. Cho Chuen-sing and Miss Chan Oi-ching. — (Sun Ying Ming Studio).

Tremendous Welcome For
American Squadron

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IRRITATION TO
HILARITYOffending Notice In
Railway Carriages

LONDON, March 20 (Reuter).—Members of Parliament who were recently irritated by a notice in the railway carriages of otherwise crowded trains reading "Not for public use" ventilated their sense of grievance in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon but their resentment dissolved into roars of laughter following the explanation of the Transport Minister, Colonel J. Morrison.

Being pressed to state what the special reasons for these reservations were, the Minister said: "The list is a rather curious one. It includes broken windows, infectious diseases and corpses."

The House laughed and the Minister continued: "It also includes lunatics and high service officials."

The House laughed and the Minister concluded: "And finally, it includes convicts and Cabinet Ministers."

The House roared and continued in open hilarity when Labour members asked how the railway officials managed to distinguish between all these categories!

UNITED STATES
NAVAL YARDSUSE OF FACILITIES
ASKED BY BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—Britain has asked for the use of United States navy yards.

This information was given yesterday by the Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, in a statement to the press.

The United States Navy had some facilities which the British might use, he added, but no action had yet been taken in connexion with the request which was made during the past three or four days.

Colonel Knox declined to elaborate the statement beyond the fact that the request had been made.

Colonel Knox also announced that the United States Navy's first aid to Britain would be to supply light vessels such as submarine chasers, motor torpedo boats and other vessels of "mosquito" type.

THRUST INTO
ABYSSINIA

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More violent attacks have been made by the R.A.F. on Italian military objectives in middle and east Africa.

In Tripolitania aerodromes were bombed and at another centre many aircraft were destroyed on the ground.

Tripoli was heavily attacked and several large fires were started in the harbour.

In Eritrea, the road between Keren and Asmara was bombed while at Asmara telegraph offices and the flat works were hit. — (Special)

HEAVY FIGHTING
IN N. KIANGSIJapanese Decimated
In Ichang Battle

NORTH KIANGSI, Mar. 20 (Central).—Heavy fighting is developing in northern Kiangsi, where a large Japanese force totalling 8,000 men, supported by 30 tanks and over 10 planes, has been attacking the Chinese line at Fengsin since March 14.

In order to induce the Japanese to penetrate deeper and lengthen their line, the Chinese withdrew from the Fengsin-Kaolan line to more advantageous position. After completing preparations the Chinese on March 17 launched a vigorous counter-attack which has resulted in holding up the Japanese advance.

The Japanese left wing has been thrown back with losses, while other Japanese columns are also being severely attacked and dispersed.

SERIOUS ENGAGEMENT

CHUNGKING, Mar. 20 (Central).—The Japanese suffered severe losses in a serious engagement with the Chinese at Tienhsinmiao near Ichang on March 13. More than 1,000 Japanese troops participated in the operations but majority of them was dispersed and decimated as a result of vigorous Chinese attacks.

A Japanese unit of about 300 men at Wulung also near Ichang was mistaken by Japanese planes to be Chinese and heavily bombed resulting in wide-spread casualties.

Martial Law
In TurkeyDECREE PROLONGED
ANOTHER 3 MONTHS

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—The decree concerning martial law in Turkey was unanimously prolonged for a further three months at a meeting of the Turkish Grand National Assembly yesterday.

CAIRO, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—"Highly satisfactory to both sides" is the description applied in authoritative British quarters here to the meeting between the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, and the Turkish Foreign Minister, Mr. Shokru Sarajoglu, in Cyprus on Tuesday.

In the fortnight since their previous meeting in Ankara, much has happened; it is therefore natural that the Ministers should meet to discuss the progress made. Cyprus pays a warm welcome to the distinguished visitors in which the Greek, British and Turkish communities have enthusiastically joined.

COMPLETE AGREEMENT

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—At Tuesday's meeting in Cyprus between Mr. Eden and M. Sarajoglu every aspect of the international situation was examined with special attention to the Balkan situation.

A communique stated that there was "complete agreement between the two governments in their policy in regard to all these problems."

COMMON VICTORY

ATHENS, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—"We shall have a common victory. Meanwhile we are rejoicing at your victories as if they were our own," declared the Turkish Foreign Minister, M. Shokru Sarajoglu, to a special correspondent of the Athens newspaper, Ethnos, in Ankara.

M. Sarajoglu added: "The Greek deeds are magnificent and provide a glorious page in the history of humanity. I am optimistic as regards the future and am convinced that the results will be good."

"We shall probably have to go through new trials but this matters little to our people."

LIFE BANISHMENT

Sentence of 12 months' hard labour was imposed by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday on Yip Kwong, alias Ip Kwong, a life banishment. The sentence is to date from the first day of the February Sessions.

CHIEF SCOUT

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—Lord Somers, who recently succeeded the late Lord Baden-Powell as Chief Scout of Great Britain, is now appointed Chief Scout of the British Commonwealth.



PREMIER INSPECTS AMERICAN HOME GUARD CONTINGENT. Mr. Winston Churchill, with the commanding officer, Brig.-Gen. Wade H. Hayes, inspecting members of the American Home Guard Squadron on the Horse Guards Parade. The unit is formed of Americans resident in Britain and is motorized.

Blockade Of Europe A
Humanitarian Measure

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—The biggest humanitarian problem in the war, preventing the decimation of the young men of Britain and America, was how Professor Noel Hall described his mission to Washington as representative of the Ministry of Economic Warfare (of which he is Joint Director).

He declared, "Europe cannot continue to exist as an economic unit without the use of waterways in the surrounding oceans. If we can get American co-operation to maintain the pressure of the blockade it will save millions of British, American and European lives."

"The neurosis which has troubled Europe since the last Great War was largely due to the selective slaughter of young men. The blockade is really humanitarian."

"We prefer neutral nations to co-operate with our policy instead of having to detain ships for examination. We can give international trading facilities to nations which conform to humane democratic standards."

Mr. Hall described the position of the Vichy Government as "a potential ally under very great pressure from an unscrupulous enemy."

The discussions regarding the admission of supplies from America were proceeding with the United States Government which had diplomatic representatives in France and was therefore in a better position to judge the situation than Britain.

CABLE NEWS
IN BRIEF

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—The present negotiations between Germany and Soviet Russia are concerned with boundary adjustments, said a German Foreign Office spokesman yesterday. He added that the visit of the Soviet Ambassador to the Wilhelmstrasse was a matter of usual routine.

Dacca, India, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—Nine were killed and 87 were wounded in communal clashes arising from a bazaar brawl which led to arson. The police fired on a mob attempting to set fire to a shop and wounded nine.

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—No bombs were reported dropped anywhere on land in Britain during daylight yesterday, and no alert had been sounded yesterday evening up to a late hour. There had been some aerial activity over the British coast and this morning a Dornier 17 was shot down into the North Sea.

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—A landslide occurred in the Busan district in Rumania in the centre of the disastrous earthquake a few weeks ago, states a Bucharest dispatch to Berlin. As the result of this and previous landslides, the contours of the country have been changed and new hills are formed while many streams have altered their courses.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt yesterday left on a brief holiday. He embarked on the yacht Potomac at an unnamed port in Florida. The yacht will be escorted by two destroyers. All details of the trip are being kept secret.

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—Field Marshal Baron Gustaf Mannerheim, virtual founder of modern Finland, who commanded the Finnish forces against Russia in 1939, became ill some days ago, states a Helsinki dispatch to Berlin. He is 73.

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—The Colonial Under-Secretary, Mr.

PRESENT NEEDS
OF CHINATalk At Y's Men's
Club Tiffin

An interesting talk on "China's Present Needs" was given by Mrs. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke at the weekly tiffin meeting of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club at the St. Francis Hotel yesterday.

Mr. Wong Kwok-fong was in the chair.

Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke said, in part: "The present position is a state-mate, with a Japanese Army of 14 millions and probably 2,500 aeroplanes immobilised in China. While China has continued her struggle for national independence, a similar struggle has broken out in Europe. The result of this is twofold. China's fight has been recognised by Great Britain and the United States as the counterpart of the struggle in Europe. This means a closer relationship between China and the two great democracies which will result in steadily increasing help to China."

What can be our contribution to China's first need of unity—to urge upon the Central Government that the main issue is the struggle for national independence and that every citizen, every soldier who is prepared to play his full part in this struggle should be given the full rights of citizenship whatever his political colour may be. This is not the time to thrash out political differences, if the fight is to go on, every section of the nation must be brought in on a basis of full equality.

We, in Hongkong, Chinese or foreign, can only contribute from the outside. But we can do so by strengthening those organisations which are most effective in the national struggle and which are at the same time building for China's future.

I can speak of three. They are the China Defence League, the Foreign Auxiliary to the National Red Cross Society of China, and the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives. Their work in the relief and care of the wounded, sick, disabled, poor and children, both civilians and soldiers, is of enormous importance to China. The speaker was thanked by Dr. Phoon Sek-wah.

ADMIRAL ESTAVA
IN VICHY

LONDON, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—Admiral Estava, Resident-General of Tunis, arrived at Vichy to confer with members of the French Government, according to the Swiss radio.

The death occurred on March 13, at the Shanghai General Hospital, of Agnes Verschaer, aged 80 years, mother of John and Eugene Verschaer. The funeral took place at the Bubbling Well Cemetery on March 15.

George Hall, disclosed in the House of Commons yesterday that permits had been issued for 700 Rumanian Jews to go to Palestine. He forecasted the possibility of similar action regarding Bulgarian Jews.

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On View from Thursday the 20th
March, 1941.

Terms: Cash on Delivery

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AUCTIONEERS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received
instructions from The Official
Administrator, Supreme Court,

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on

Saturday, the 22nd March, 1941.
commencing at 10.30 a.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 2, Con-
naught Road, Central, Room
No. 205.

The Furniture and Effects of the
late Mr. J. Lowrie

On View on Day of Sale.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

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AUCTIONEERS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received
instructions

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

Monday, the 24th March, 1941.
commencing at 11 a.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 2 Con-
naught Road Central, Second Floor
20 Cases Sugar of Milk

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.
AUCTIONEERS.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

NO EVIDENCE OFFERED

Chung Pui-kam, 27, unemployed,
charged on six counts of falsifica-
tion of accounts of sums involved
totaling \$8,400, was discharged by
Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday, when
no further evidence was offered
by the prosecution.

Defendant was a clerk to the
Yue Cheung Firm, No. 20, Smith-
field.

Defendant was represented by
Mr. H. A. de Barros Botelho.

DEFENDANT DISCHARGED

The Police offering no evidence
against Chan Sang, 20, unemployed,
charged with feloniously de-
manded the sum of \$120 from Li
Kling-chau at No. 163, Des Voeux
Road Central, second floor, by
means of a note, purporting to be
from one Cheong Yan-leung, de-
fendant was discharged by Mr.
Lowry yesterday.

BIG GAMBLING SCHOOL

As a result of a raid carried out
by the Police on an alleged gam-
bling den at No. 12, Main Street,
Stanley, no less than 63 persons,
half of whom were females, were
charged before Mr. Lowry yester-
day.

Six defendants, Lau Hing, 38,
Lam Cheuk, 53, Chan See, 60, Tam
Wah, 25, Li Hing, 18, and Wong
Wai, 36, all unemployed, were
charged with as keepers, while the
rest were charged with gambling.

Sub-Ins. C. H. Goodwin said
that the premises were formerly
an old factory, now refitted es-
pecially for gambling.

First, second, third and fourth
defendants were fined \$100 or six
months, fifth and sixth \$50 or six
weeks, 44 \$10 or seven days while
13 others had bail of \$10 each
estimated.

Table money, totalling \$110.20,
was placed in the Poor Box.

BAIL REDUCED

Hearing of the case in which
Chow Wing-chuen, 34, a former
employee of the East Point branch
of the Dairy Farm, is charged with
stealing bacon, fillet beef and line
hinds of beef from the company
between Mar. 1 and Aug. 31 last
year was fixed for Mar. 27 at 2.30
p.m., by Mr. H. G. Sheldon yester-
day.

Bail of \$1,000 was reduced to
\$500, on the application of Mr. C. A.
Sutherland Russ, who is appearing
for defendant.

THEFT OF STEEL

Convicted of stealing 21 pounds
of high speed steel from the Hong
kong Naval Yard on Jan. 10, Kok
Cheung, master of Class IV boat
No. 1633V, was fined \$100, or one
month's hard labour, by Mr. Shel-
don yesterday.

Defendant was represented by
Mr. M. A. da Silva.

INDECENT ASSAULT

Hearing of the case in which
Cheung Man, 37, coolie, is charged
with indecently assaulting a boy,
Lau Yim-kan, 13, on Mar. 12, was
fixed for April 4, at 2.30 p.m. by
Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Sub-Ins. F. W. Fowle is in
charge of the case.

EUROPEAN CAUTIONED

St. Patrick's Day Celebration in
the Colony had a sequel yesterday,
when an Irishman, J. Thompson,
was charged before Mr. Lowry with
assaulting Mak Hon, night watch-
man of Newspaper Enterprise Ltd.,
at Windsor House on Mar. 17.

Det.-Sgt. W. Summers said that
defendant, celebrating St. Patrick's
Day, had a few drinks and was
on his way home, when he passed
the Windsor House and went in.
Going up the stairs, he was stop-
ped by the night watchman half-
way and defendant pushed him.
The man fell and sustained in-
juries, which required him to be
detained in hospital for a day.

Defendant was discharged with
a caution, but ordered to pay \$20
compensation to complainant.

POLICE OFFICER CHARGED

Peter Oliver Guld, Sergeant in
Hongkong Police Force, appeared
before Mr. Sheldon yesterday on
summons of driving car No. 6225
in a dangerous manner on the
wrong side of a bend in Repulse
Bay Road about 6.45 p.m. on Feb.
23, and driving while under the
influence of drink.

Defendant was represented by
Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios while
the prosecution was conducted by
Traffic Sub-Ins. F. J. Clarke.

Traffic Sgt. G. Fryer, in evidence,
said that he saw defendant's car
was fairly badly damaged.
About 10 p.m., he saw defendant
at the Central Police Station. He
appeared to have been drinking
and was rather drowsy.

Dr. Kwan Siu-ye, of Queen
Mary Hospital, said that he exam-
ined defendant and found de-
fendant's breath smelled of
alcohol. Defendant had no slur of
speech nor tremour.

Det.-Sgt. J. R. Sykes said that
he found defendant's car lying
across the left centre of the road
near a bend. He spoke to de-
fendant, who did not recognise him
and smelled of alcohol.

Evidence was given by Sgt. T. J.
Hemslay.

Hearing was adjourned to noon
on Monday.

AT KOWLOON

"TSE FA" RAIDS

Two raids on "Tse Fa" gaming
houses were carried out by the
Police at the Talmshatsul district
on Wednesday and as a result
nine persons were arrested and
charged before Mr. D. J. N. Ander-
son yesterday.

In the first case Yiu Hoi, 40,
coolie, was charged with keeping
No. 100, Canton Road, ground
floor, for the purpose of gambling.
Accused was fined \$100 or three
months' hard labour. Three
others, including a woman, charg-
ed with gambling, were fined \$3
each.

Another 20-year-old Chinese,
Wong Hon-po, charged with keep-
ing 112, Canton Road, as a gaming
house, was fined \$100 or three
months' hard labour.

Two gamblers were fined \$3
each, while two defendants had
their bail of \$3 each estimated
when they failed to appear.

Table money amounting to
\$12.30 was ordered to be placed in
the Poor Box.

Det.-Sgt. A. Bethell was in
charge of the case.

THEFT OF PUMPS

Four months' hard labour was
imposed by Mr. Anderson yesterday
on Chan Choi, 31, for larceny of
two electric pump motors from the
Tin Shing Knitting Factory, San
San Road, Hungghom.

Sgt. Haynes, prosecuting, asked
for a serious view to be taken as
this was the fifth time that pumps
were reported stolen and the only
occasion that they were recovered.

HEARING ADJOURNED

Alleged to have stolen a quantity
of clothing at Whitfield Barracks
Lam Piu, 30, coolie, was charged
with larceny before Mr. Anderson
yesterday.

Det.-Sgt. A. Bethell asked for a
remand of 24 hours because the
complainant was in camp.

STOLE MOTOR PUMP

Pleading guilty to a charge of
stealing a motor pump from a
battery store at Tokawan, Kow-
Chong was fined \$15 or three
weeks' hard labour by Mr. Ander-
son yesterday.

It was stated that defendant was
arrested about 12.15 p.m. on March
15 while carrying the pump near
the First Brigade, Mongkok.

Det.-Sgt. H. J. Baldwin was in
charge of the case.

MENACES CHARGE

Before Mr. Anderson yesterday,
Tsang Wing-fuk, 45, unemployed
seaman, Lo Lai-long, 21, and Pte.
Thomas John Milroy, of the
Middlesex Regiment, charged with
demanding \$30 from Lo Yau at
Kowloon City with menaces. Lo
and Milroy were additionally
charged with demanding \$20 from
Kan Ho by the same means and
Tsang and Milroy were further
charged with demanding \$30 from
Au Kim and Chin Sheung.

Chan Lu, was charged with aid-
ing and abetting.

Tsang was also charged with de-
manding \$5 from Kong To, Lo was
accused of stealing from Kan Ho
a sum of \$20, while Milroy was
charged with receiving stolen prop-
erty, \$20.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ ap-
peared for Tsang, Lo and Chan,
while Mr. C. d'Almada represented
Milroy.

Det.-Sgt. C. Dowman said that
Traffic Sgt. M. Clarke saw Milroy
dressed in civilian clothes, walking
along the road, followed by a crowd
of villagers, who appeared to be
very excited. Sgt. Clarke took
Milroy to the Kowloon City Police
Station. Later Tsang and Lo were
taken to the Station by villagers
who accused the three of them of
demanding money by means of
menaces.

Giving evidence, Mr. E. L. Curtis,
of the P. W. D., said that he was
in charge of private lands and
the issuing of permits. He said
that defendants were not employed
in the P. W. D. and that they were
not authorised to pull down huts.
Hearing was adjourned to Mar.
26, at 2.30 p.m.

A DEFENCE OF THE
KING OF BELGIUM

BY JOHN CUDAHY

Below is the 5th instalment of an extract from Life of
Nov. 25, 1940, written by MR. JOHN CUDAHY, former United
States Ambassador to Belgium, in which he clears
King Leopold of the Belgians, of the charge of "treason."
(We are indebted to the Belgian Ambassador to China
for the article).

Sir Roger Keyes, an Admiral of
the British Fleet, had been attach-
ed to Leopold since the outset of
hostilities in Belgium and sympa-
thised with the position of the
King. The same evening of May 25,
he telephoned Mr. Churchill,
emphasising what Leopold had
written to King George and in-
dicating that further resistance
could not be humanely expected
from the Belgian Army.

Pounded remorselessly and un-
ceasingly by bombers and fighting
planes, which were followed by
mechanised German units, the
spent Belgians were herded into
the northwest corner of Flanders
and standing at bay grimly hung
on at the Lys, a deep narrow
stream, black as ink. They were
only 30 miles from the sea now
and the narrowing front packed
with fear-frenzied refugees made
the King's position intolerable. He
called upon the British to strike
at the enemy towards Courtrai and
in the direction of Waergem between
the Lys and the Scheldt on the
desperate chance of establish-
ing some co-operative liaison, but
such was the ferocity and violence
of the German thrust that, far
from attacking, the British could
not even hold their own ground.

GREAT RENT

A great rent of five miles was
made in the Belgian right flank
near Thiel, through which moved
great enemy tanks, unopposed.
There was another breach of three
miles in the north between Mal-
degem and Eecloo and it was ap-
parent that the strategy of sepa-
rating the French from the British

and Belgians, which had succeeded
so brilliantly at the beginning of
the invasion, was being employed
again on the surviving British and
Belgian armies. After that the
Belgians could be finished off
piecemeal.

NO MISGIVINGS

The battle had entered its last
phase. There were no reserves, no
supports, and the only retreat was
toward the coast where no ships
waited for the Belgians. What
could be gained by further resis-
tance? There comes a time when
one human being, charged with the
responsibility for the lives of many
other human beings under his
military control, has no other
course but surrender. Any other
decision is one of cowardice or
fanaticism. And in the late after-
noon of May 27, the King of the
Belgians realised such a time had
come.

For 17 days his Army had been
retreating, fighting a losing battle
in which human flesh was pitted
against machines, and his men
were demoralised by exhaustion
that the point would soon be
reached when the human system
could endure no more. Under such
conditions any army might well,
in the frenzy of despair, revolt and
become a riotous rabble, for every
intelligent Belgian soldier knew
that the fight was over, and that
further carnage would be in-
excusable.

Yet all this and more would have
to be endured if honour forbade
surrender, if capitulation meant
betrayal and conduct faithless to
comrades allied in arms. But the

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King had no such misgivings. He
knew that the British, abandoning
all thought of an offensive, had
for five days, been retreating to
Dunkirk, where they intended to
embark for England. He knew that
the French were scattered and
hopelessly beyond communications
somewhere to the south of the Bri-
tish, and that as far as Belgian
headquarters was informed, there
were only three identified French
military units in Belgium, the 60th
and 68th Divisions, survivors of
Giraud's Seventh Army, and the
21st Division which came to

Antwerp to join the Seventh Army,
but because of the reverse in Hol-
land never crossed the Dutch fron-
tier and withdrew to Dunkirk on
May 18 before the Belgians had
taken position on the Scheldt.

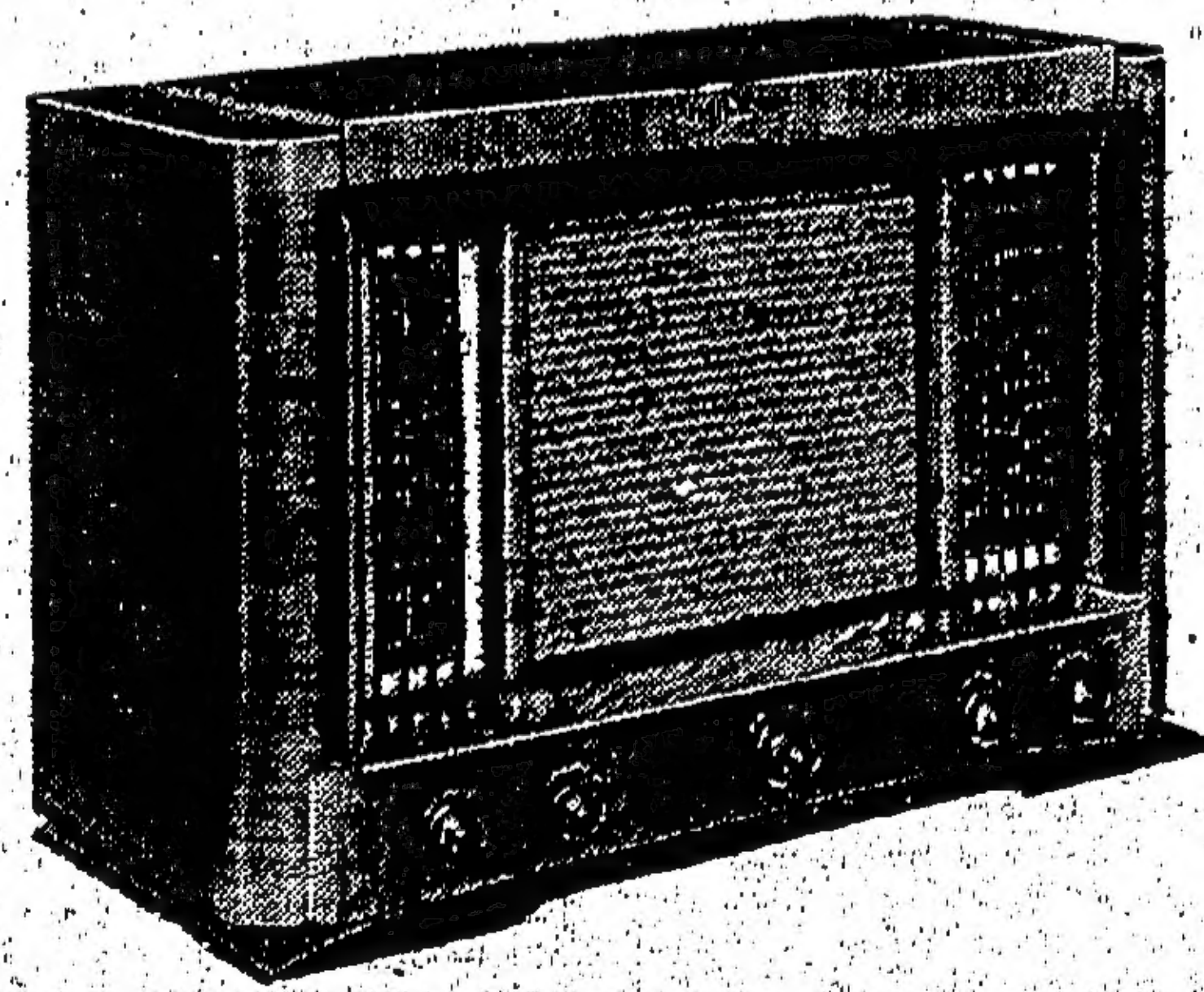
The 60th Division had been sent
to Gravelines, France, on May
23, the day before the four-day
battle. Then the King decided to
surrender, on the afternoon of
May 27, Belgian trucks were sent
to Knocke-sur-Mer for the 68th
Division and it was thus trans-
ported to Dunkirk.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MARCH 20, 1941

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months sight	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand 440	
On Singapore:—	
On demand 52 3/4	
On Japan:—	
On demand 102 1/2	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 1/8	
On demand 52 1/8	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8	
Credits, 60 days sight 24 7/8	
On Batavia:—	
On demand 45 1/4	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credits 4 months sight Nom.	
On Saigon:—	
On demand 104 1/2	
On Manila:—	
On demand 48 1/4	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand 149 1/2	
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate ... Nom.	
Bar Silver per oz 23 1/2	

Market Report

FROM BOZA BROS.

Thursday, Mar. 20.
The price for Ready Silver was unchanged at 23 1/2 but the Forward rate rose 1/8 to 23 1/2. Silver advances reported Bears as having covered to a small extent. The market was steady. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.
The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 1/2.

MARKET

Quiet.
STERLING
There were sellers at 1/3 March/May, buyers at 1/3 1/32 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS
There were sellers at 24 1/2 for near and probably April, buyers at 24 9/16 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS
Opened with sellers at 451 1/4 with business done at 452 1/2 and 452 1/4. The market closed with sellers at 452 1/4, buyers at 452 3/4 for Spot.

SHANGHAI MARKET
Opened with sellers of Sterling at 3 1/8 and then eased off slightly to 3 1/8 1/4. At the close it was again up to 3 1/8 1/2 for Spot. U. S. Dollars sellers at 5 13/32 for Spot.

STERLING
The market closed with sellers at 1/3 March/May, buyers at 1/3 1/32 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS
Nothing doing. The market closed with sellers at 24 1/2 for near and probably April, buyers at 24 9/16 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS
Sellers at 452 1/4, buyers at 452 3/4.

SHANGHAI MARKET
Sellers of Sterling at 3 1/8 and U. S. Dollars at 5 13/32 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Mar. 20 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates	
Openings	Closings
London 0/3-1/4	0/3-1/4
New York 5-5/16	5-5/16
Japan 22-1/2	22-1/2
India 18	18
Paris nominal	nominal
Hongkong 21-5/8	21-5/8
Sterling	
Spot 0/3-5/16	0/3-5/16
Mar. 0/3-5/16	0/3-5/16
Apr. 0/3-5/16	0/3-5/16
U.S. Dollars	
Spot 5-13/32	5-13/32
Mar. 5-13/32	5-13/32
Apr. 5-13/32	5-13/32
Market:—Quiet.	
Silver Duty Rate	
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.	
The Equalisation rate was 24 1/2 per cent.	

Calcutta Exchange
Calcutta, Mar. 19 (Reuter).
T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4

India Rupee Paper
Bombay, Mar. 19 (Reuter).
Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 95-14-0.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Mar. 19, 1941.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	10.88	10.80	10.81	10.87	.06 up
New York Rubber, May	22.30	21.98	21.80	22.25	.45 up
Chicago Wheat, May	89 1/2	88 1/2	87 1/2	88 1/2	1 up
Chicago Corn, May	65 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	65 1/2	1 up
New York Hides, June	14.10	13.75	13.83	13.75	.13 off

Total sales Tuesday:—117,300 bales.					
NEW YORK RUBBER					
May	21.80/85	21.98/22.00	22.25b/35a	.45	up
July (New contract)	21.50/50	21.45/50	21.75b/80a	.25	up
September (")	21.00/50	20.99/99	21.25/25	.25	up
December (")	20.90/90	20.99/21.00	21.05/05	.15	up
Total sales for the day —290 tons.					

Total sales Tuesday—117,300 bales.
NEW YORK RUBBER
May 21.80/85
July (New contract) 21.50/50
September () 21.00 B
December () 20.90 N
Total sales for the day—290 tons.

Tuesday's sales:—14,885,000 bushels.					
CHICAGO CORN					
May	64 1/4	64 1/4	65 1/2	1	up
July	64 1/4	64 1/4	65 1/2	1 1/2	up
September	64 1/4	—	65 1/2	1	up

Tuesday's sales—14,885,000 bushels.
CHICAGO CORN
May 64 1/2/64 1/2
July 64 1/2/64 1/2
September 64 1/2/64 1/2
Total sales for the day—220 contracts.

NEW YORK COCOA				
May	7.26 N	7.25/30	7.31 N	.05 up
NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3				

May	2.38b/40c	2.38b/39a	unch.
July	2.42b/43a	2.42b/43a	"

Volume of business done:—488 lots

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4

May	82b/82½a	82/82	80½b/81½a	.01½ off
July	83b/83½a	83/83	85b/85½a	.01 off

Volume of business done.—158 lots.

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES				
July	11.65b/88a	11.63b/70a	11.76b/81a	.11 up
N.Y. Official Silver	34-3/4		34-3/4	
NY-London Cross Rate	4.03-1/2		4.03-1/2	

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Mar. 19.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red, after 1952)	104-3/16
Defence Loan, 3 1/2%	101-9/16
Jantion-Koon Rly. 5%	11
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	42
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds 1925/47	40-44
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	46
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan 1912	24
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	31
Chinese 8% Steep Notes 1925 (Vickers)	8-10
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	47
Homan Rly. 5%	14
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue)	14
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	12
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	12
S'hai-N'King Rly. 5%	14
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	12
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	12
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	12
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	12
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924	24 1/2
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	5 1/2
Chartered Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	75
E.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	77
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	15-41
Chosen Corporation	41
Mercantile Bank of India, 25, "G"	10 1/2
Pekin Syndicate	1/6
S'hai Elec. Contr. Co.	12 1/2
S'hai Waterworks "A"	11 1/2
Union Insurance	23
Gula Kalumpung Rubber	15/9
Lon. Mid. & Scot. Rly.	12 1/2
Great Western Rly.	33 1/2
National Bank of India	31 1/2
B.A. Tob. (bearer)	88 1/2
Dunlop Rubber	33 1/2
Bristol Aeroplane	10 1/2
Imperial Chemical Ind.	28 1/2

Notes in circulation

(including Notes held in the Banking Department) 26,850 26,881

Rupee Coin and Bullion in India 3,197 3,228

Gold Coin and Bullion in India 4,441 4,441

Securities (Indian Government) 4,981 4,981

Securities (British Government) 14,050 14,050

(Figures in Lakhs Rupees)

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Mar. 19 (Reuter).

The Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £272-1/8.

The Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, £270-7/8.

Market firm on moderate American buying. After hours, the market was again firmer, with sales of 35 tons at £272-1/2 and £271 buyers.

Spot, 23-1/2d.

Forward, 23-1/2d.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Mar. 19 (Reuter).

Market—Steady. Offtake 200 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 63-00

Apr. 22 Settlement 63-01

May 21 Settlement 63-04

LONDON GOLD

London, Mar. 19 (Reuter).

Bar Gold, Fine per oz, 168/-

United Steel 20 1/2

Woolworths 47 1/8

Marmar Investments 6 1/8

Western Holdings 9 1/8

Sub-Nigel 142 1/8

Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer) 40 1/4

—bid

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MARCH 20, 1941

STOCKS	Last Sale	Mar. 19	STOCKS	Last Sale	Mar. 19
Adams Express	57 1/2		Loew's Inc.	32 1/2	
Allegheny Steel Co.	21 1/2		Loft Incorporated	18 1/2	
Allis Chalmers	29 1/2		Mack Truck Inc.	28 1/2	
Aluminum Ltd.	74		Martin, Glen L.	28 1/2	
Amer. Can.	85 1/2		McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	25 1/2	
American Cyanamid B.	33 1/2		Montgomery Ward	38 1/2	
Amer. & Foreign Power	1 1/2		Mt. City Copper Co.	3 1/2	
Amer. Locomotive	13 1/2		National Aviation	9 1/2	
Amer. Metals Co.	18 1/2		Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2	
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2		National Distillers	21 1/2	
Amer. Rolling Mill	13 1/2		National Lead	16 1/2	
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	40 1/2		Nat. Power & Light	7 1/2	
Amer. Sugar Refining	18 1/2		National Supply Corp.	5 1/2	
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	16 1/2		New York Central	12 1/2	
Amer. Tobacco "B"	68 1/2		Niagara Hudson Power	2 1/2	
Amer. Waterworks	5 1/2		N. American Aviation	15	
Anaconda Copper	24 1/2		North American Co.	15 1/2	
Archison, T. & S. Fe.	24 1/2		Northern Pacific	6	
Aviation Corp.	3 1/2		Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	43 1/2	
Baldwin Locomotive	15 1/2		Pacific Gas & Elec.	27 1/2	
Baltimore & Ohio	3 1/2		Packard Motors	24	
Barber Asphalt Co.	8 1/2		Pan-American Airways	12 1/2	
Barnes Oil	8 1/2		Paramount Pictures	12 1/2	
Bendix Aviation	35 1/2		Pennsylvania R.R.	23 1/2	
Bethlehem Steel	78 1/2		Phillips Petroleum	38 1/2	
Blas & Co.	18 1/2		Public Service of N.J.	25 1/2	
Boeing Airplane Co.	18 1/2		Pullman Inc.	24	
Borg-Warner	18 1/2		Pure Oil	7 1/2	
Briggs Mfg.	22		Radio Corp. of Am.	41	
Budd M'facturing Corp.	4 1/2		Reading Company, Com	14 1/2	
Canadian Pacific R'way	34 1/2		Remington Arms Co., Inc.	5 1/2	
Case, J.I.	48 1/2		Republic Aviation Corp.	4	
Celanese	23 1/2		Republic Steel	19 1/2	
Chesapeake & Ohio	39		Revere Corp.	10	
Chrysler Corp.	65 1/2		Reynold Tobac. "B"	31	
Columbia Gas & Elec.	4		Safeway Stores	35 1/2	
Commercial Credit Co.	29		Schenley Distillers	9	
Consolidated Edison	21 1/2		Sears Roebuck	73 1/2	
Consolidated Oil	5 1/2		Shell Union Oil	12 1/2	
Continental Can	36 1/2		Socomey-Vacuum Oil	9	
Continental Oil	18 1/2		Southern Pacific	9 1/2	
Copperweld Steel	14 1/2		Southern Rly 55 pfd.	22 1/2	
Curtiss Wright (C.)	91		Spicer Manufacturing Co.	33 1/2	
Curtiss Wright "A"	27		Standard Brands	6 1/2	
Deere & Co.	20 1/2		Stand Gas & Elec.	1	
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	164 1/2		Standard Oil of California	19 1/2	
Douglas Aircraft	74 1/2		Standard Oil of N.J.	35 1/2	
Du Pont de Nemours	147		Stone & Webster	6 1/2	
Eagle Picher Lead	91		Studebaker Com.	6 1/2	
Easton Mfg. Co.	33 1/2		Swift International	9	
Elec. Autolite	30 1/2		Technicolor	35 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share	34		Texas Corp.	35 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share 35 pt.	55		Texas Gulf Sulphur	38	
Elec. Bond & Share 36 pt.	54		Timken-Axle	31 1/2	
Elec. Power & Light 9 pt.	32 1/2		Trans-America Co.	44	
Flintkote	13 1/2		20th Cent. Fox	6 1/2	
Gen. American Trans.	51 1/2		Union Bag & Paper Corp.	11 1/2	
Gen. Electric	33		Union Carbide & Carbon	87 1/2	
Gen. Motors	43		Union Pacific	77 1/2	
Gen. Railway Signal	13 1/2		United Aircraft	38 1/2	
Gen. Tire & Rubber	11 1/2		United Airlines Trans.	14 1/2	
Glidden Co.	13 1/2		United Corp. 33 cum pt.	25	
Goodrich (B.F.)	13 1/2		United Gas Corp.	8 1/2	
Goodrich 35 pt.	62		United Gas Improvement	6 1/2	
Goodyear Tire & Co.	18 1/2		U.S. Industrial Alcohol	24 1/2	
Great Northern Iron Ore	14 1/2		U.S. Rubber	22 1/2	
Great Northern Rly. pfd.	25 1/2		U.S. Rubber 55 pfd.	92 1/2	
Great Western Sugar	25 1/2		U.S. Smelting	57 1/2	
Greyhound Corp.	11 1/2		U.S. Steel	57 1/2	
Hercules Powder Co.	71		Vanadium	27	
Homestake Mining	47 1/2		Valtee Aircraft	41	
Int. Nickel	20 1/2		Walworth Co.	3	
Inter. Paper & Power	14		Warner Bros. Pict.	36 1/2	
Int. Tel. & Tel.	21 1/2		Westinghouse Elec.	28 1/2	
Johnsman	61		Woodward Iron Cor.	32 1/2	
Kennecott Copper	34		Wood National Bank	27 1/2	
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	35 1/2		National City Bank	5 1/2	
Lockheed Aircraft	23 1/2		Libby, Monell & Libby	5 1/2	

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1940/41				Mar. 20, 1941.				
High	Low	Dow Jones Averages		Mar. 18,	High	Low	Close	Change
152.80	111.84	30 Industrials		173.92	174.25	172.24	173.55	.37 off
32.67	22.15	20 Rails		28.08	28.25	27.95	27.97	.11 off
26.45	18.03	20 Utilities		19.78	19.60	19.70	.05 up	
32.19	22.08	40 Bonds		31.13		31.23	.11 up	
64.07	48.74	11 Commodity Index		61.60		62.45	.59 up	
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H.K. ELECTRIC CO. MEETING

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As a second step we propose to offer to them 30,000 new shares at \$10 each in the proportion of one share for every 3 shares held on April 1 of this year.

We propose that the money realised by this call—say \$3,000,000—be remitted to London and invested in British Government Funds—by doing this we will do a little towards providing the ready money which is so much needed by H.M. Government in the fight to ensure our safety. At the same time this will provide a fund to draw upon on the termination of hostilities when we come to purchase extensions and replacements of plant which an undertaking such as ours must always be prepared to meet.

At the conclusion of this meeting there will be an Extraordinary General Meeting at which I will put the resolution which is necessary to implement the first of these proposals and I invite shareholders to remain seated until this has been done.

FORMER ENGINEER "MISSING"

I take this opportunity to place on record the Directors' appreciation of the services rendered by the Staff and Workmen during the year; in this connection some of you may be aware that one of our engineers, Mr. W. E. Peers, who joined the R.A.F.V.R. when he was on leave in 1938, was called up for Active Service at the beginning of the war; since then he has been promoted to the rank of Pilot Officer and made several bombing flights over Germany and Italy; I very much regret to say that his machine was seriously damaged over Germany on the night of Jan. 15/16 last and he is now posted as "missing."

DIRECTORS RE-ELECTED

After the report has been seconded by Alfred Morris, the re-election of Mr. L. J. Davies, Mr. T. N. Chau, and Hon. Sir Shouson Chow to the Board of Directors was proposed by Capt. F. L. Brown and seconded by Mr. A. McKellar; while Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-appointed Auditors on the proposal of Mr. Leung Fat-tin and seconded by Mr. B. Wong Tapa.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING

At the Extraordinary General Meeting, held after the general annual meeting, it was proposed by the Chairman, and seconded by Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson that:

1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hong-kong currency, part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund, and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company as on the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and forty-one in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share for every three shares of the Company held by them respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1941.

2. That if on such distribution as aforesaid any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractions making up such share.

COUNCIL TRIBUTE TO WORK OF LT. GEN. E. F. NORTON

HIGH APPRECIATION OF THE WORK OF LIEUT.-GENERAL E. F. NORTON, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., during the past seven months here as Acting Governor, was expressed by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., when he presided at the first meeting of the Legislative Council since he resumed the administration of the Colony on March 13.

Addressing Honourable Members, His Excellency said:—

Honourable Members:—Before General Norton leaves the Colony you will, I feel sure, be glad of an opportunity to show your high appreciation of his work here during the past seven months.

General Norton came here on a special mission in August last and he has fulfilled his task to the admiration of all. It was no light or easy duty that he took upon his shoulders in the civil administration of the Colony with the processes of which he was unfamiliar. I know from him that from the outset he has been immensely helped by the steady support given to him in this Council and the whole-hearted co-operation of the Civil Service. From what he has said to me I know that he would like me to mention particularly the debt which he owes to the loyalty and expert ability of the Honourable Mr. N. L. Smith.

As President of this Council I invite its members to signify their grateful recognition of General Norton's untiring and successful labours on this Colony's behalf.

UNOFFICIAL TRIBUTES

Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson: May I express, Sir, our very great sorrow that General Norton should have suffered from a serious accident. May I also express to you, Sir, our great appreciation for what he has done for us during his stay here and may I hope that he will have a speedy recovery.

On behalf of his Chinese colleagues on the Council, and in the name of the Chinese community, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo associated himself with the tribute which His Excellency paid to Gen. Norton.

Mr. Lo remarked that when the announcement was first received here that a military governor was to be appointed for Hongkong during the absence of leave of His Excellency, there were many in the Colony who felt a great deal of apprehension. But such apprehensions were speedily dispelled by Gen. Norton himself.

ABLE ADMINISTRATOR

"Soon after Gen. Norton's arrival it became obvious to the community that he was more than a

military officer of distinction; he was an able administrator, with wide sympathies and understanding," said Mr. Lo.

"The whole Colony was shocked and grieved to hear of General Norton's accident. We all hope he will soon be completely restored to health."

"Sir, the Colony will gratefully remember Lieut.-General's Norton's devoted efforts on behalf of Hongkong, and we shall all follow with deep personal interest his future career, which we know will be both brilliant and distinguished in whatever sphere of activity to which he may be called in the service of the British Empire. In the name of the Chinese community I tender to him our gratitude, best regards and good wishes."

LIGHTBUOY ADRIFT

A lightbuoy adrift has been reported in Lat. 5 deg. 10' N. long. 115 deg. 5' E. (Approx.) according to a Harbour Office notice. The lightbuoy is the Barnt Banks Lightbuoy on the Northwest Coast of North Borneo. It is believed the lights may still be flashing.

DRIFTING MINE

A drifting mine has been reported off Shek-Ku-Chau (Sha) near Cheung Chau at 10.35 a.m. on March 17.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 21 to 27 Mar. 1941.

Day of Week	Date	Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
			Time	Height	Time	Height
Fri.	21	h.m.	h.m.	ft. in.	h.m.	ft. in.
		6.15	4.1	38.07	5.9	1.9
		1.57	6.1	33.44	1.9	
Sat.	22	0.57	4.4	10.01	4.0	
		17.23	6.1	—	—	
Sun.	23	07.55	4.6	00.41	1.6	
		16.34	6.1	11.45	3.9	
Mon.	24	08.26	4.6	0.27	1.6	
		19.34	6.3	12.54	3.6	
Tues.	25	09.56	4.1	02.04	1.6	
		20.24	6.3	12.47	3.1	
Wed.	26	09.21	5.4	02.25	1.6	
		21.08	6.3	14.27	3.6	
Thur.	27	18.47	5.8	03.04	1.6	
		21.47	6.1	15.09	3.4	

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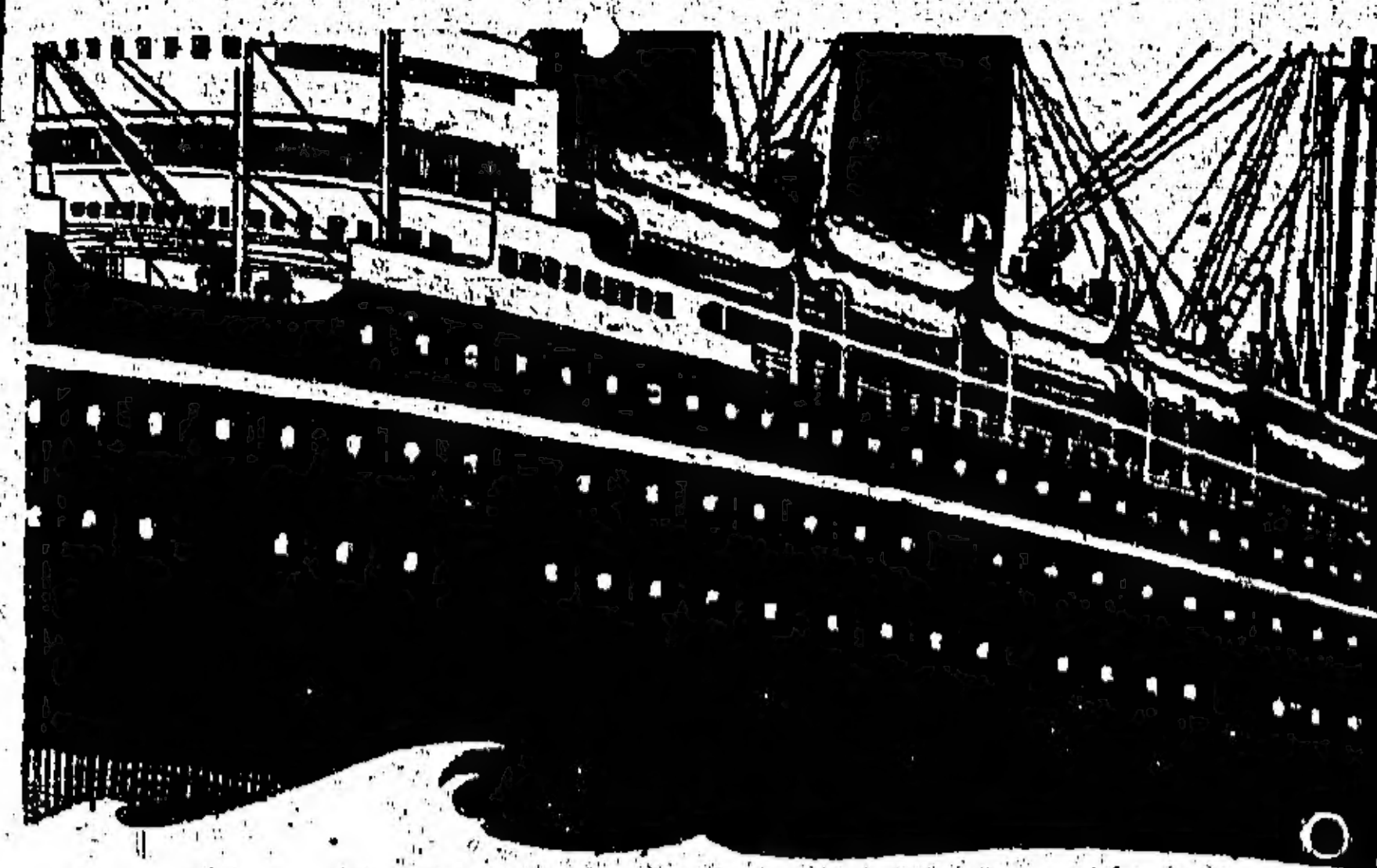
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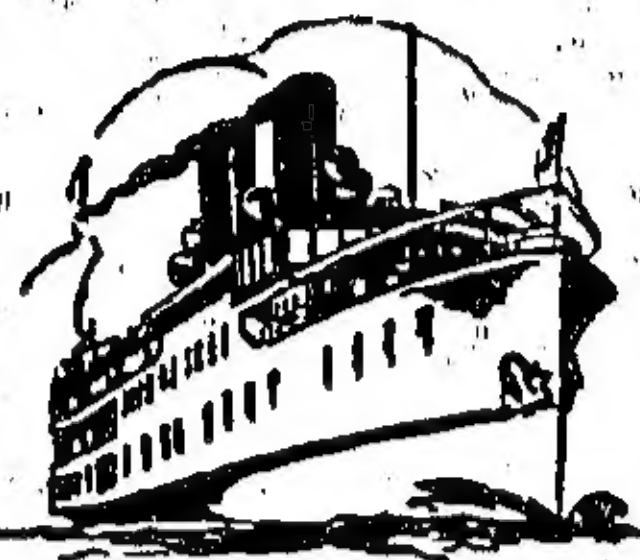
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Cheltenham Gold Cup Result

There were ten runners in the Cheltenham Gold Cup race which was run yesterday, says a message from London. All the horses carried ten stones, and the candidates were stated to be the best ten of the season.

The course contained 18 jumps on two circuits of nine jumps each. The results were: Grey Prince, first; Sapper, second; and Red Royal, third.

The race was watched by a huge crowd in which khaki and naval uniforms were prominent.

GOOD START

The field was sent off to a good start and, at the first fence, Knight of Troy led followed by Team Willow and Dominix Cross. Team Willow took the lead at the second fence, followed by Red Prince and Dominix Cross. From the sixth hurdle, Red Prince got in front and led by two lengths from Knight of Troy. Red Prince held the lead up to the end of the circuit.

At the tenth jump, Knight of Troy led with Red Prince and Dominix Cross lying next. Red Prince, however, took the lead again at the 12th jump and held it up to the 17th when Sapper moved up followed by Grey Prince and Professor II.

At the 18th jump, Grey Prince, who had moved up strongly, took the jump together with Sapper and, in the two furlongs left, forged ahead to win.—(Special)

BADMINTON RESULTS

Further progress was made in the badminton championship tournaments when four matches were played at Talkoo Club last night.

Results were as follows:—
Singles: E. Zimmerman beat J. Hoot 15-5, 7-15, 15-10.

Doubles: K. W. Choy and K. B. Low beat J. J. Remedios and H. F. Gonsalves 15-4, 15-10.

Mixed Doubles: M. A. Oliveira and Miss Silva beat D. Kwok and Mrs. Wilson 14-17, 15-3, 18-15; K. W. Choy and Mrs. Castro beat S. Amplananar and Miss T. Gonsalves 15-9, 15-5.

CHESS RESULTS

A. Y. Birukoff beat Un Kwai-yung in the Colony Junior Chess Championship last night to take the lead in the Tournament with five points gained from five games.

In other games, V. V. Kolstchoff drew with A. Morton and To Yulau drew with A. Kurrik. The game between E. M. Petrov and R. C. Gardner was adjourned.

POLICE REPORTS

Lt. L. P. Ralph, of No. 15, Felix Villas, reports that between 4 p.m. Mar. 15 and 12.30 p.m. Mar. 16, some person stole a camera, valued at \$200, from his car parked outside the Hongkong Club.

Mr. Arzoonie, of No. 520, Nathan Road, second floor, reports that some person broke into his residence on Tuesday night and stole cutlery and miscellaneous articles to the value of \$127.

Two Chinese males bitten by two dogs, belonging to Messrs. C. W. Treside and C. Van Langenburg, of No. 401, The Peak, on Wednesday, were admitted to Queen Mary Hospital for treatment, while the animals were sent to Kennedy Town for observation.

MUSIC LECTURE

The first of a series of music lectures, sponsored by the Chinese Y. M. C. A., Waterloo Road, took place last evening when Mr. Lam Sing-yop spoke on "Appreciation of Music" before a large audience, mostly students.

Mr. Lam said that there was a great difference in appreciating foreign and Chinese music, the latter being mono-melody.

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Mother Said Soldier Son's Return Was Amazing

An English soldier captured in France by the Germans nine months ago walked into his mother's home in England recently. He was Lance-Corp. Denis Adams. His father, Mr. Bert Adams, lives in Melbourne.

Mr. Adams received this cable at the week-end:—"Denis home escaped amazing story writing.—Adams."

It was amazing because:—
Denis was one of 15 Northumberland Fusiliers left in France after

the evacuation (4,000 got away); he was posted missing; then missing, believed killed; then Mr. and Mrs. Adams were notified that he had been found in a German hospital.

He was so badly wounded he had to stay there for three months.

Mr. Bert Adams served with the Australia in France throughout the last war and was married on leave. Denis was born during the war.

After the war he brought his family to Australia. Mrs. Adams was very ill and went back some years ago. Mr. Adams visited them not long before the war. He has another son in the Royal Air Force.

Today Mr. Bert Adams will start army life again with a home division of the A.I.F.

WOPS SUFFER SEVERE LOSSES AROUND KEREN

CAIRO, Mar. 20 (Reuter).—Further important positions south of Keren have been captured and Italian counter-attacks have again been repulsed with serious Italian losses, says a communique.

The situation is developing favourably. Pressure by patriot forces is developing against Debra Marcos in Abyssinia.

Announcing the occupation of Jijiga, the report adds: "In other sectors, our general advance is proceeding."

The activity of the R.A.F. supporting military operations in Abyssinia and Somaliland continued unabated yesterday, says an R.A.F. communique.

Troops around Keren were bombed and machine-gunned.

HOUSE OF COMMONS AND MEXICO

LONDON, March 20 (Reuter).—Questions regarding Mexico were put to Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons yesterday. "Having stated that hitherto no suggestion for a fair and equitable settlement was made by the Mexican Government," Mr. Butler was further asked: "When is this unfortunate affair expected to be settled?"

Mr. Butler replied: "When a suggestion is made to us for a fair and equitable settlement."

THREE TRAFFIC FATALITIES

In the Colony of Hongkong including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Mar. 15, there were altogether 79 traffic accidents as the result of which three persons were killed and 20 persons were injured.

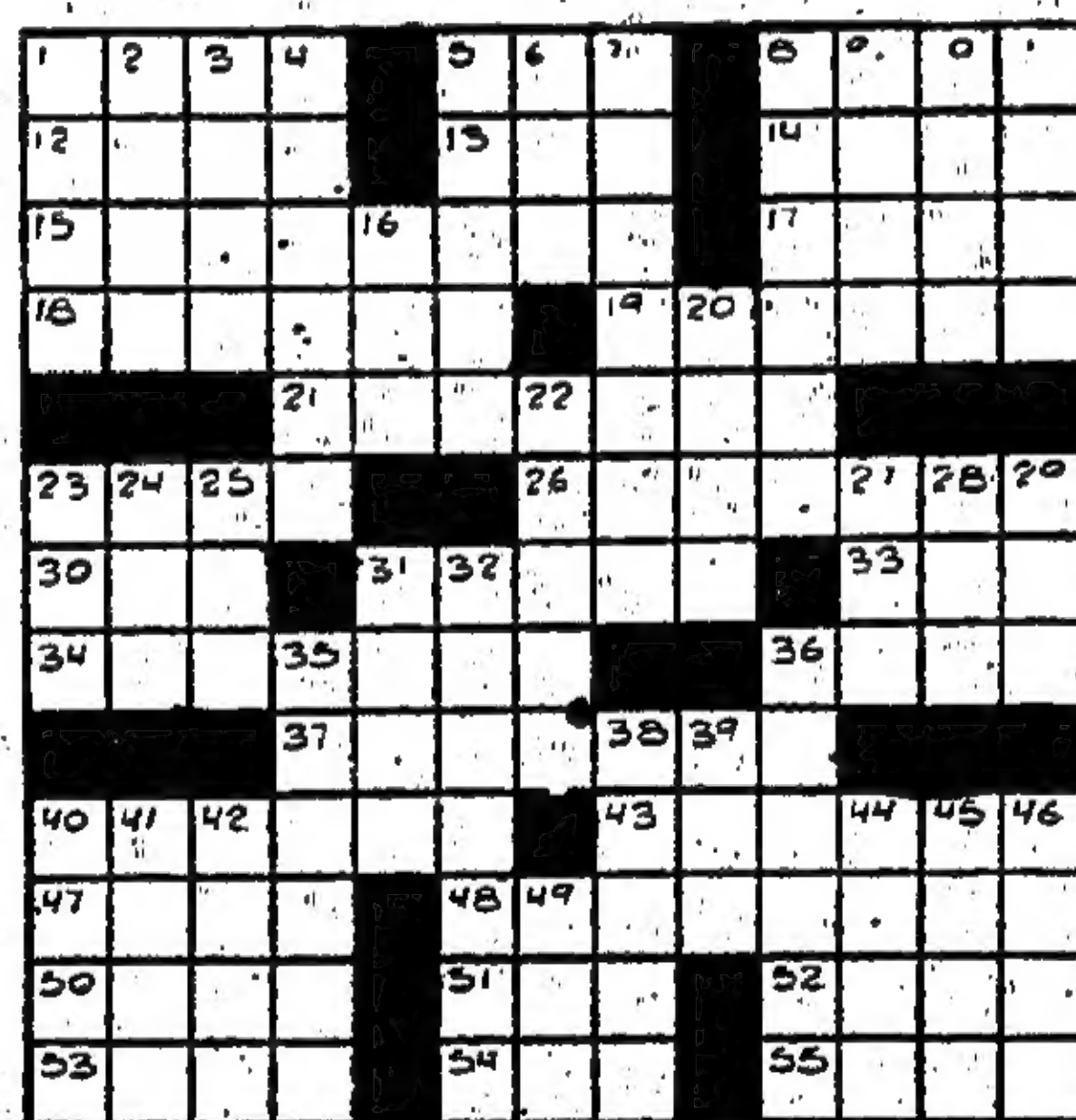
Of the persons killed, a Chinese male, age 45 and a 44-year-old girl were knocked down and killed by a bus and a private car respectively while crossing the carriage-way. A Chinese male, age 52, died from injuries received on falling off a moving lorry.

Of 79 accidents, 32 were collisions between vehicles; 29 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 18 accidents were due to other causes.

CROSSWORD NO. 850

ACROSS

- 1 Former title
- 5 Luck
- 8 Who was the lover of Leander?
- 12 Supreme deity of the Norse pantheon
- 13 Eadil
- 14 What Persian poet was a tent-maker?
- 15 Of what Central American republic is Tegucigalpa the capital?
- 17 Fluid secreted by the liver
- 18 Most ancient
- 19 Exalts the spirit of
- 21 Come in again
- 23 What explorer discovered the most northerly extension of the American mainland?
- 26 Oriental
- 30 Be indebted to
- 31 What French city at the mouth of the Penfeld was a port of embarkation for American troops?
- 33 Regret
- 34 Enlightened
- 36 Who was the "Swedish Nightingale"?
- 37 What is the missing part of the name of the marshal of Napoleon I?
- 40 Pertaining to the sea
- 43 To search for and discover
- 47 What is the only lake



- 11 Swedish coin (pl)
- 18 Utilise
- 20 For fear that
- 22 Requires
- 23 Fabulous bird
- 24 Bird
- 25 Seat of a bishop's authority
- 27 Silk worm
- 28 Hasten
- 29 Masculine name
- 31 Broken coat of a seed of grain
- 32 Ushers to one's seat again
- 35 What French city was formerly the capital of Picardy?
- 36 In a lacelike fashion
- 38 Fragrant oleoresin
- 39 Correlative of neither
- 40 Dissolve
- 41 Melody
- 42 Tumult
- 44 Air heroes
- 45 Melody
- 46 Danish weight measure (pl)
- 49 Extinct flightless bird

DOWN

- 1 What London district is noted for its restaurants?
- 2 Object of worship
- 3 The peel of a fruit
- 4 Finishers
- 5 Who wrote "The Luck of Roaring Camp"?
- 6 The kava
- 7 Spanish coin
- 8 Australian State capital
- 9 Effect
- 10 Sound accompanying normal breathing

SOLUTION TOMORROW

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, 21st MARCH, 1941, 2.30 A.M.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—

Yunnan
Szechuen
Kweichow
Hunan
Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu)
Kwangsi
North and East of Kwangtung

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

From	Due
Straits and Air Mail by "British Overseas Airways Service"—(complete Mail) by Sea from Singapore.	21st Mar.
Java and Manila.	21st Mar.
Canton.	22nd Mar.
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United-Kingdom and Straits.	23rd Mar.
Swatow.	23rd Mar.
United-Kingdom and Straits.	24th Mar.
Canton.	25th Mar.
U.S.A. and Japan (San Francisco date 7th March).	25th Mar.
Australia and Manila.	25th Mar.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 18th March.	25th Mar.
Australia, Rabaul and Manila.	27th Mar.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai—(San Francisco date, 7th March).	29th Mar.
Canton.	29th Mar.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 23rd March.	30th Mar.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 1st March).	30th Mar.
Sandakan.	3rd Apr.
Sandakan.	5th Apr.

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For	Date and Time
FRIDAY	Fri. 21st
Straits and Rangoon.	8.30 AM
	K.P.O.
	Reg. 4.00 PM
	Ord. 4.30 PM
	G.P.O.
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."	Reg. 4.00 PM
	Ord. 4.30 PM
SATURDAY	Sat. 22nd
Manila Macassar and Sourabaya.	8.30 AM
Sandakan.	8.30 AM
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island.	Reg. 12.45 PM
	Ord. 1.30 PM
	K.P.O.
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	Ord. 2.30 PM
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	Ord. 2.30 PM
Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta.	3.30 PM
SUNDAY	Sun. 23rd
Canton.	5.00 PM
MONDAY	Mon. 24th
Kolow.	10.30 AM
TUESDAY	Tue. 25th
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane.	Reg. 24th 5.00 PM
	Ord. 24th 5.00 PM
	Ord. 25th 8.30 AM
	K.P.O.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.00 PM
Canton.	7.00 PM
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 25th
	K.P.O.
	Reg. 11.00 AM
	Ord. 11.30 AM
	G.P.O.
Air Mail by sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."	Reg. 11.00 AM
	Ord. 11.30 AM
Calcutta.	11.00 AM
	K.P.O.
	Reg. 10.00 AM
	Ord. 11.45 AM
	Ord. 12.30 PM
Straits, South Africa, and Parcelsonly for United-Kingdom.	Reg. 11.45 AM
	Ord. 12.30 PM
THURSDAY	Thu. 26th
Manila, Batavia, Mauritius, Lourenco Marques, and South Africa.	8.30 PM
	K.P.O.
	Reg. 4.00 PM
	Ord. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and United-Kingdom via San Francisco.	Reg. 4.00 PM
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	Ord. 5.30 PM

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